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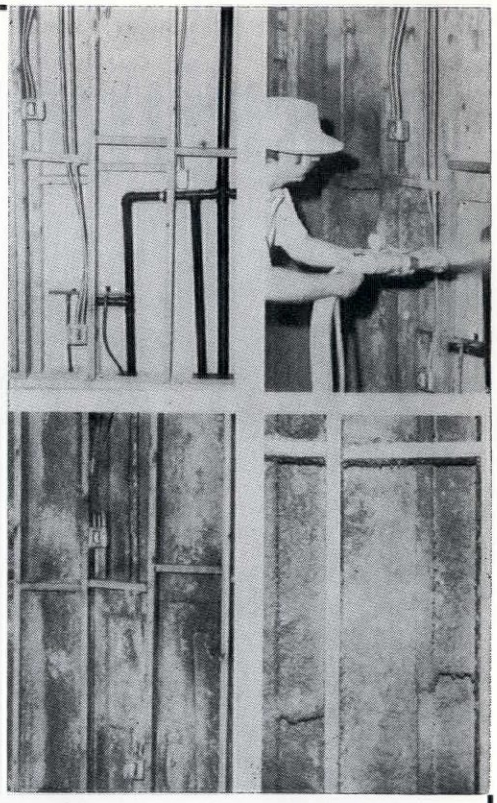

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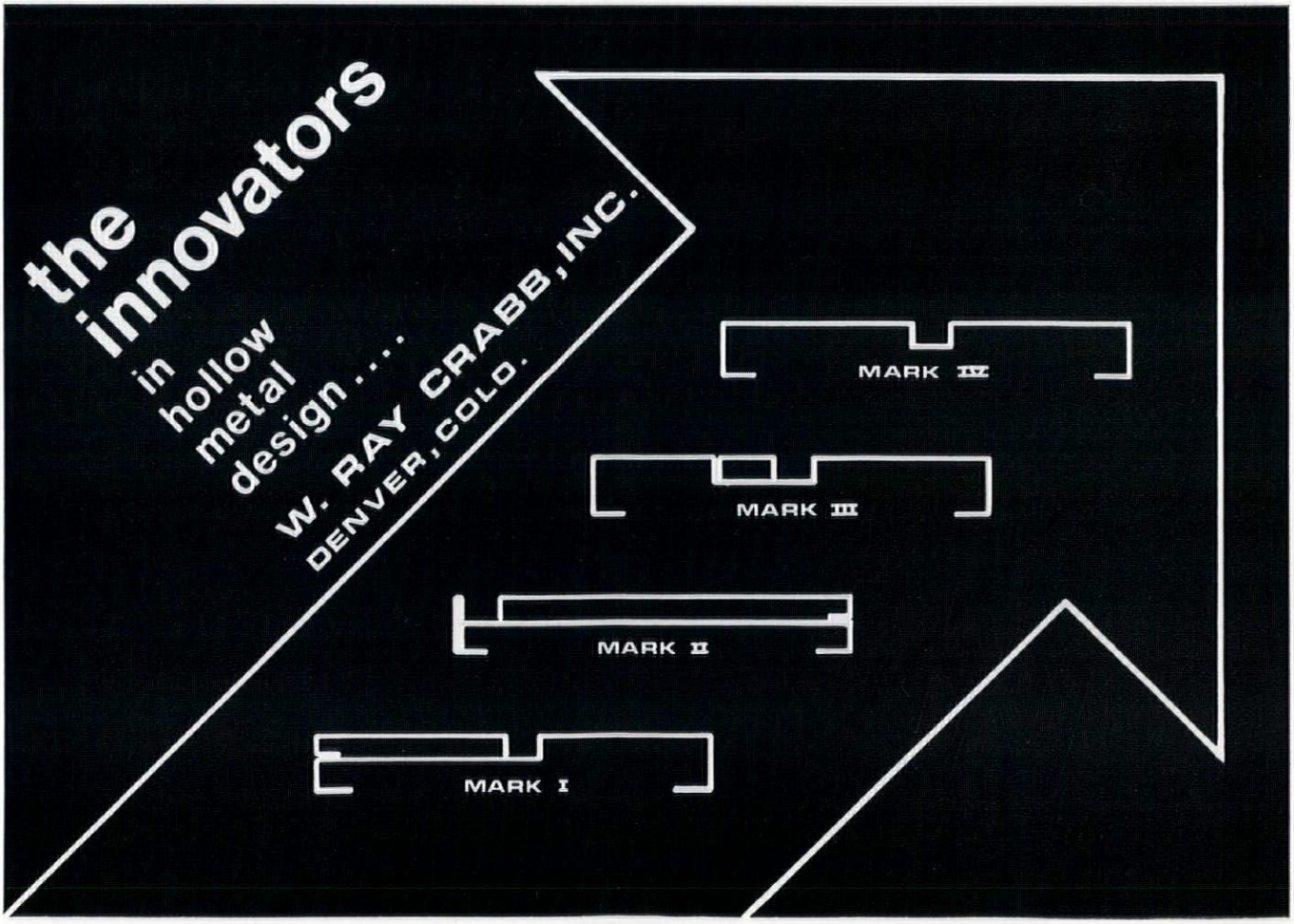

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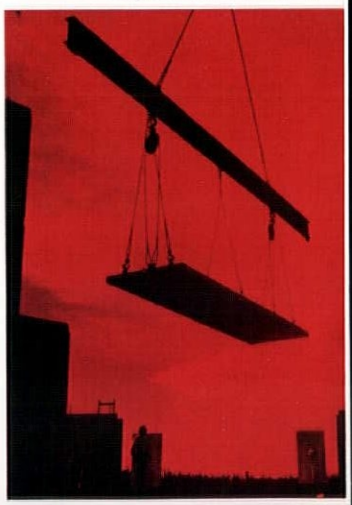

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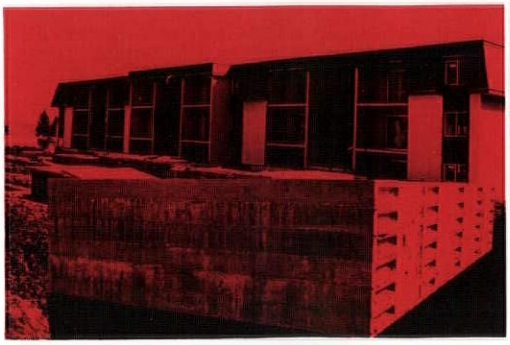

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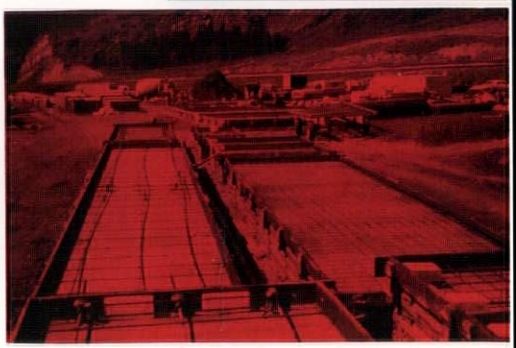

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SCORE ONE FOR SUCCESS

Summing Up the Regional Convention Consulting Engineers Council — John L. Hoffmann CE/I

Well, the 1973 CEC Regional Convention at Sun Valley, Idaho, is over, and it was indeed a great success. There were 76 husbands and wives in attendance and eight states represented including Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, Utah, Wyoming, Colorado, and Montana.

The members from CEC/US included Senior Vice President, Kenward S. Oliphant; Vice President, Victor O. Gray; President-Elect, Malcolm Meurer; and Executive Director, Donald Buzzell.

On Friday the talks given were as follows:

1. "Public Relations by the Score"—K. Oliphant
2. "Loss Abatement and Liability Insurance"—Ed Howell, Risk Analysis and Research Corp.
3. "Engineer Unionization"—Malcolm Meurer
4. "Turnkey Competition"—Panel Discussion
5. "Business Development Techniques and Guidelines"—Don Buzzell

All the talks were well delivered and each had a message for the consulting engineers present. Malcolm Meurer, President-Elect, CEC/US, gave a very knowledgeable presentation and some real details and facts on "Engineer Unionization" as his firm is at present becoming unionized through negotiation with the Operating Engineers Union.

On Saturday we had the speeches in conjunction with "How We Handle the Problem in Our State." The speakers, the states they represented, and the subjects were as follows:

Lee Walker, Montana—"Government Competition—Our Biggest Problem"
Roy Taylor and Elton Leitner, Idaho—"Function of Combined Executive Secretary Program"
Earl Gibley, Washington—"Involvement of Consultants in Government"
Jim Crum, Oregon—"State Engineering Excellence Awards Competition"
Carol Wagoner, Utah—"Merits of CEC Ladies Auxiliary"
Frank Luers, Wyoming—"Legislative Work in Wyoming"

The social functions were a great success with cocktail parties hosted by CEI each evening at 6:00 p.m. in the condominium of Dick Kanemasu, CEI Vice President. This was a great chance for all to get together and have a chance to meet each other in a very relaxing atmosphere.

The golf game Saturday afternoon in the Sun Valley Golf Course was great with some 24 participating. Prizes were awarded at the cocktail party Saturday night, and many and nonsensical were the prizes.

A superb buffet dinner was served on the terrace at the Sun Valley Lodge on Friday night and was well attended.

As everyone left for their home I am sure they all anticipated the attendance at the Regional Meeting in Coeur d'Alene in 1974 with the World Fair nearby in Spokane.

(Our appreciation once again to "Larry" Hoffmann for his "before" and "aft" reports of this important Regional meeting.)

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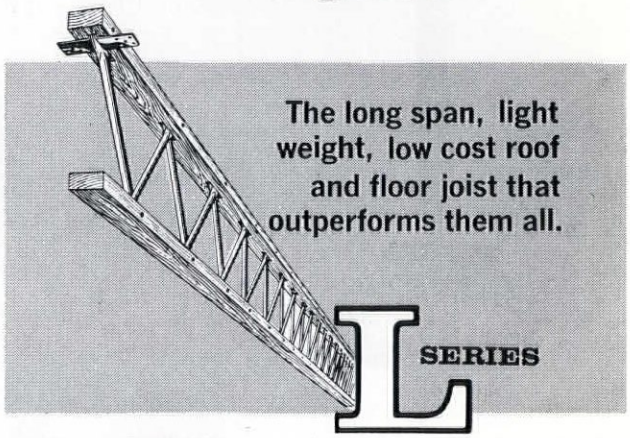
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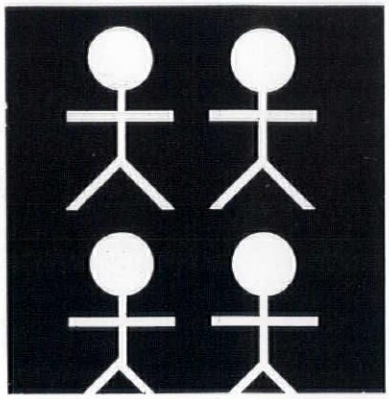
(A brief report honoring Professional and Industry members in our Symposia Region who have achieved some of the "good things in life" in the past few weeks.)



UP WITH WAGNER!

Add one more to that long list of "lovely ladies from Utah"—Carol K. Wagner, Executive Director of the Consulting Engineers Council of Utah. On June 1 at the Fort Douglas Country Club Utah's CEC paid tribute to Carol for her four years of service "above and beyond".

She is married to a mechanical engineer (Lynn J.) the mother of five children (unbelievable!) and the family has recently re-located to a "ranchette" in Sandy where they're trying their luck at gardening and the horse-raising business . . . (just as a hobby!) Outside her family and CEC, Carol likes to ski, golf and read tons of books.

Carol writes—"Inside CEC, there's plenty of action. Part of my job involves attending national Public Affair Conferences in Washington and national CEC Conventions". Prior to joining the Consulting Engineers she worked as a secretary in two engineering firms, as a legal secretary, an administrative assistant in the VISTA training program and as secretary to the Assistant Manager of the Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce.

During her tenure as Executive Director, Carol has contributed significantly to organizing CEC's first Women's Auxiliary, and has been recently appointed to the national CEC Public Relations Committee composed of engineers from the various states.

So . . . a tip of the editorial bonnet to Carol Wagner. And eat your hearts out you consulting engineers who aren't lucky enough to live in Utah!

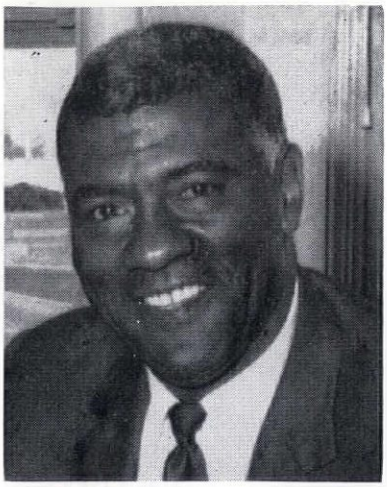
UP WITH WARD!

Symposia's pages may seem an "out of context" place to find a salute to James D. Ward, principal of Denver's Manual High School. Not so! On Monday, June 23rd, Mr. Ward received a Citizens Service Award and Plaque from the Southwest Regional Council of the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO) at their annual conference in St. Louis, Missouri. It was, may we say, well deserved!

The eight state Regional NAHRO Council honors, each year, an "individual who has made a major contribution to the programs assisted by the U.S. Housing and Urban Development Department in his community" —not a HUD employee, elected government official or a member of HUD-assisted agency. And Mr. Ward qualifies on all counts. His role and that of Manual High in the Whittier and Mitchell Residential Rehabilitation Projects in northeast Denver has been both significant and successful.

Nomination for the Award came from DURA's (Denver Urban Renewal Authority) Executive Director, Bob Cameron . . . he put it very well:

"Urban Renewal and subsidized housing developments, by their nature, are usually concentrated in the older and poorer sections of the city where residents need a wide variety of assistance and where community programs are most difficult to achieve. Housing and redevelopment functions do not occur in a vacuum and the role played by other institutions, both public and private, in such neighborhoods may make or break the success of the housing and renewal projects. DURA is most fortunate to have the cooperation of an institution and a man which exemplifies the kind of assistance needed for successful community development. That institution is the Manual High School and that man is the school's principal, James D. Ward.



"Jim Ward is a success in one of the most difficult of all educational endeavors—directing a high school in a low income area where the population is predominantly composed of ethnic minorities. He rose through the ranks from elementary school teacher to high school principal, all in the same neighborhood."

It was 1966 when Mr. Ward came to Manual High as principal. He was imbued with an idea that there should be a relevant link between classrooms and on-the-job work. Two years later, he sought, through Urban Renewal projects near the school, a possible avenue of carrying out in a useful way his goals and ideas. A Student Corporation was formed through assistance from many other elements and began entering into a series of contracts with DURA. The first of these projects . . . a $23,000 single-family residence was treated in "This is the House that Youth Built" in our February/1970 issue. Other projects have followed and on June 19, ground was broken for an experiment in modular housing contraction by Manual students on an urban renewal lot . . . goal:—a 4 bedroom home to sell for $18,500. We have never really talked with Jim Ward—but we have talked to his "kids". He's got a great deal going!

Kudos to Manual principal Ward!

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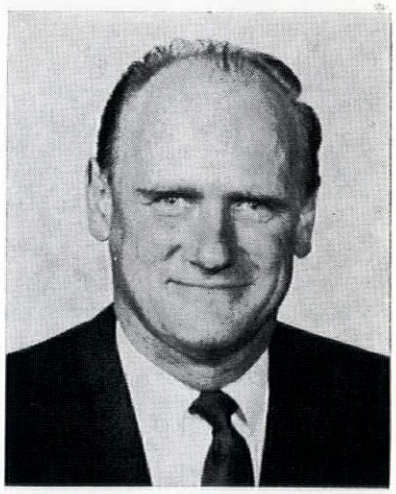
TO: Carl A. Koeppen, Denver—Recipient of the Honor Award/ 1973 C.S.I. Specifications Competition.



Of the fourteen Awards for top-flight specifications presented at C.S.I.'s 25th Anniversary Convention in Washington, D.C. only ONE Honor Award was made. On the receiving end—Carl Koeppen of Denver's CSI Chapter and Chief Specifications Writer for the firm of Stearns-Roger Architects, Ltd. of Denver.

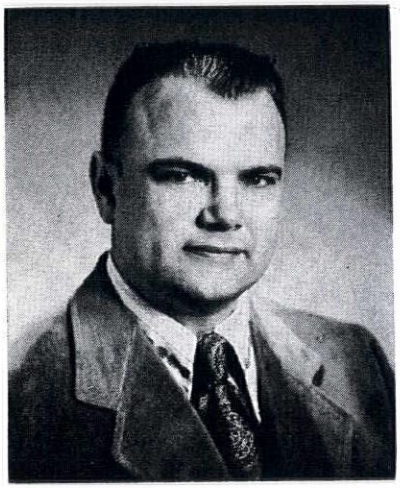
Soft spoken Carl was born in Detroit, attended the Lawrence Institute of Technology in that city majoring in Architectural Engineering. His initial professional experience was with Smith, Hinchman and Grylls, Inc., but he has been "at home" in the Mile High since 1956. He joined the firm of Fisher, Fisher and Davis (now Rodney S. Davis Associates) where he served as an associate responsible for Contract Administration and Specifications. Carl joined the Stearns-Roger firm in 1972.

During his eight years as an active member of CSI/Denver Chapter, Carl has been Chairman of the Annual Educational Seminar in 1970, received a Certificate of Appreciation for his work as Publicity Chairman for the Region 10 Annual Conference in Colorado Springs in 1969 and has contributed significantly to technical committees and other CSI activities.

Carl and his wife Maxine have two adorable adopted children—Mark Charles who is six and Kimberly Carla, four. When time permits you are sure to find the Koeppens—one and all—at the "Cabin Carl Built" high in Colorado's Rockies at Dillon. Carl will be fishing or working on something constructed of wood.

Congrats, Carl, on your Honor Award which incidentally was in Category C for specifications on the Municipal Building Complex, City of Glendale, Colorado.

Also honored in this year's Competition—**Allen D. Thurman,** CSI Seattle, for his project specifications, the New Science and Technology Building, Green River Community College, Auburn, Wash ngton, an Honorable Mention. Merit awards were presented to **Roger Hugh Ross,** Seattle, for "specs" on the completion of the Third and Fifth Floors/Mabel Zoe Wilson Library at Western Washington State College in Bellingham and to Symposia's Editorial Board member, **Paul Edlund** of Eugene, Oregon for project specifications on the Lewiston Swimming Pool Renovations in Lewiston, Idaho. Laurels—Salvos—Kudos et al to these gifted guys.



Larry G. Fisher, FCSI
Spokane, Washington

That small but unrelenting item known as the deadline prevented Mr. Fisher from being recognized with the other CSI'ers from Symposia-Land who received fellowship in the Institute at the June Grand National. We are pleased to honor him now with a Special Salvo.

Larry G. Fisher is a professional member of the Spokane Chapter/CSI, a corporate member of the Spokane Chapter/AIA and a principal in the firm Construction Specifications Collaborate, Inc. A graduate of Washington State University (Master of Science/Architectural Engineering) he serves as an assistant professor in the Department of Architecture and as a guest lecturer in the College of Art and Architecture at the University of Idaho.

He served two terms as President of the Spokane CSI Chapter, has been most active in other chapter activities including the editorship of the newsletter "The Punch List". He was also instrumental in the development of the Chapter's "Building Products Directory". His Fellowship was for his distinguished achievements in the field of education, as developer for the Spokane Chapter's continuing education program, as a teacher not only on the undergraduate level but also for the practitioner, as a frequent guest lecturer to various colleges and groups and for his devoted service to the Institute Education Committee. While serving on the Institute Education Committee for three years, he assisted in the development of the "Student Packet" portion of the Institute's Documents Program, cooperated in editing the first "CSI Education Guide," and was the 1972-73 Committee Chairman.

Our congratulations, Mr. Fisher, on your Institute Fellowship . . . a honor well deserved!

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Horse Thieves: 1923 - 1973

To steal horses and not be caught was one of the most respected skills amongst the plains Indians. If a Sioux was caught in the act of raiding a Crow village, he had few alternatives: he was either dead or tortured and therefore had little opportunity to make excuses for his failure. The number of horses a brave possessed had a great deal to do with his stature within his tribe. If he was an exceptional horse thief it enabled him to have more squaws, finer possessions and to be more benevolent within his tribe. Crazy Horse's favorite pastime was raiding Crow camps, and the horses he brought back were invariably given by him to widows, the aged and less fortunate. Therefore, it puzzled the Sioux when the white man rancher became upset when his horses were stolen—to the Indian the rancher's alternative was to steal them back without getting caught or shot.

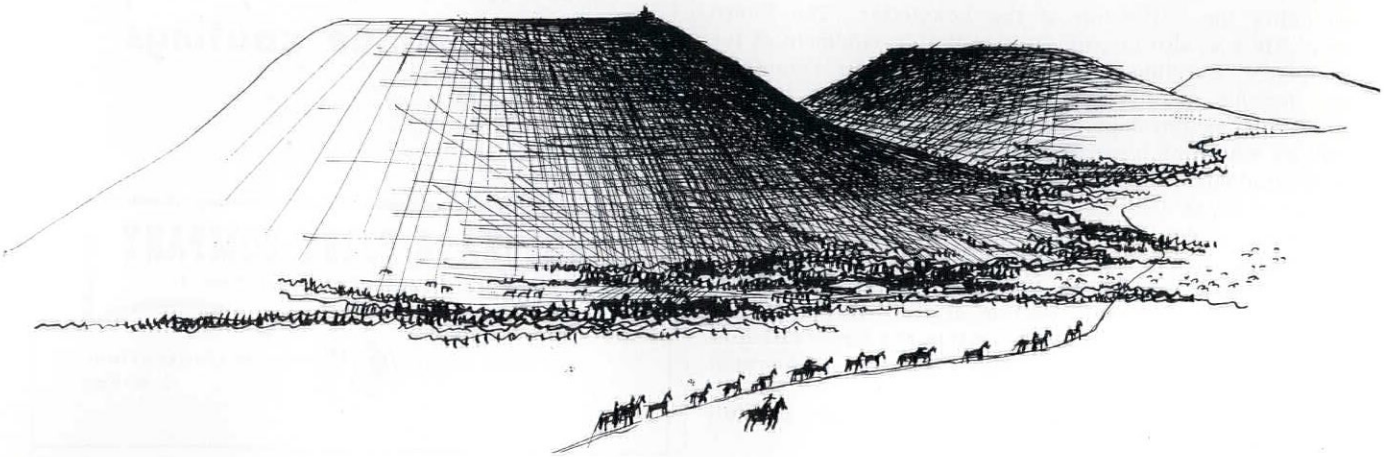
In the olden days on the Standing Rock Reservation my lawyer father, who was the State's Attorney for our country, spent most of his time apprehending and trying horse thieves. The white cattle rancher was completely dependent on horses for herding and rounding up his cattle, and, therefore, always had a good-sized herd of horses on his range. To both the rancher and the Indian, horses were valuable and readily merchantable property, plus being handsome goods—sort of like the diamond ring on the rancher's fighting fist.

Indian horse thieves were easy to apprehend and convict because they too often felt compelled to brag about their latest feat. The white horse thief was something else, he feared both the law and the unwritten code of the range of shooting a horse thief on the spot. Cattle rustlers were something else again, sort of common thieves who either had hungry families or big thirsts. The two slickest horse thieves in my father's day were two white brothers who had ranches at different ends of the reservation. Jack, the older brother, had a ranch up on the Cannonball River in North Dakota, and Sam had one fifty miles south on the Grand River in South Dakota. Since there were no fences and the range was wide open, it was an easy matter to quietly round up some strayed horses down on the Grand and move them up to the Cannonball, dropping them off on an isolated creek some miles away from brother Jack's ranch to cool off. After a few weeks Jack would round up his various herds of borrowed merchandise, herd them into Bismarck for rail shipment to Pennsylvania. The system could also be reversed because brother Sam also shipped a great number of horses east by the Milwaukee line from South Dakota.

Neither Sam nor Jack ever picked up the stray horses, nor did they ever herd them across the state border—this was generally done by hired hands like Smokey, a bronc rider who needed a more steady income than summer rodeos. The best my father could do was to send Smokey up for ten years—he refused to squeal on his employers, served four of his ten years and was paroled on good behavior.

Smokey pretty much stuck to the rodeo circuit after his term in the pen, but he never turned state's evidence. One good reason was that brother Jack always had a rifle close at hand—he never wore a gun, but a rifle was either on his horse or in the cab of his truck. He, like all ranchers, needed rifles for the coyotes who fed on his calves and colts. Everyone knew he was a horse thief, yet he was well liked in our town, especially by the young because of his annual August trek into town with a truck load of watermelons. Every kid in town ended up that evening with a belly full and a belly-ache, thanks to good old Jack.

The white ranchers were upset with my State's Attorney father because he failed to nail and send up Jack and Sam. One reason he was unsuccessful was because when

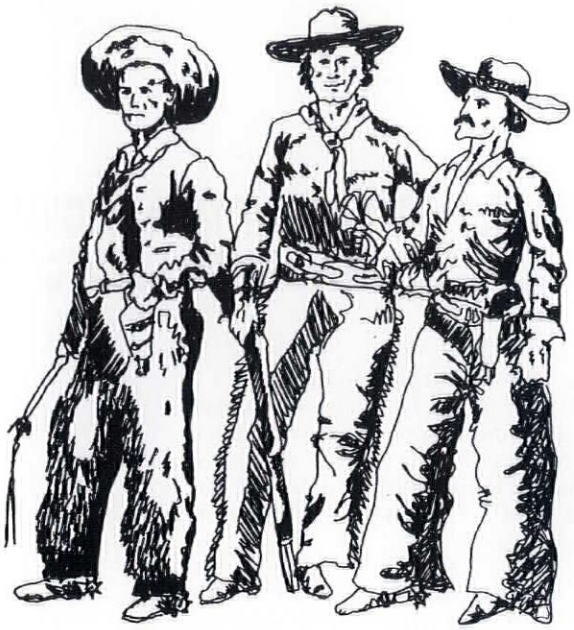


it came time to testify, they all hedged—they, like Smokey, were scared of Jack and his rifle. The range was vast and wide open, and skeletons were found months and years later near some isolated waterhole. It was hard to convict anyone because memories became hazy and convenient. No one wanted to get involved, especially on the other side of the fence from Sam and Jack. The brothers understood the laws, and were well aware of the legal complexity of extraditing the accused from one state to another.

I remember very clearly as a boy following in a Model T with my father and the Sheriff, the trail of a herd of horses which had been moved across the state line by a lone rider. We found the horses grazing on a butte, miles from any ranch, all with the brand of a well-known ranch fifty miles away. My father and the Sheriff questioned a number of ranchers en route, and only after showing them the hoof marks of the herd on the dirt road would they admit to having seen them. But they would not admit to seeing any cowpuncher driving them northward, because they then would be forced to identify Old Smoke. The herd just sort of wandered by their ranch on their own.

After the jury had acquitted brother Sam, I overheard a white rancher in the local general store tell the boys around the pot-bellied stove that my father was incompetent and the country needed a new State's Attorney. I remembered him well, because he was one of the North Dakota ranchers who told us that day that the fine herd of two dozen horses just strolled by his place, all by themselves, headed north for greener pastures.

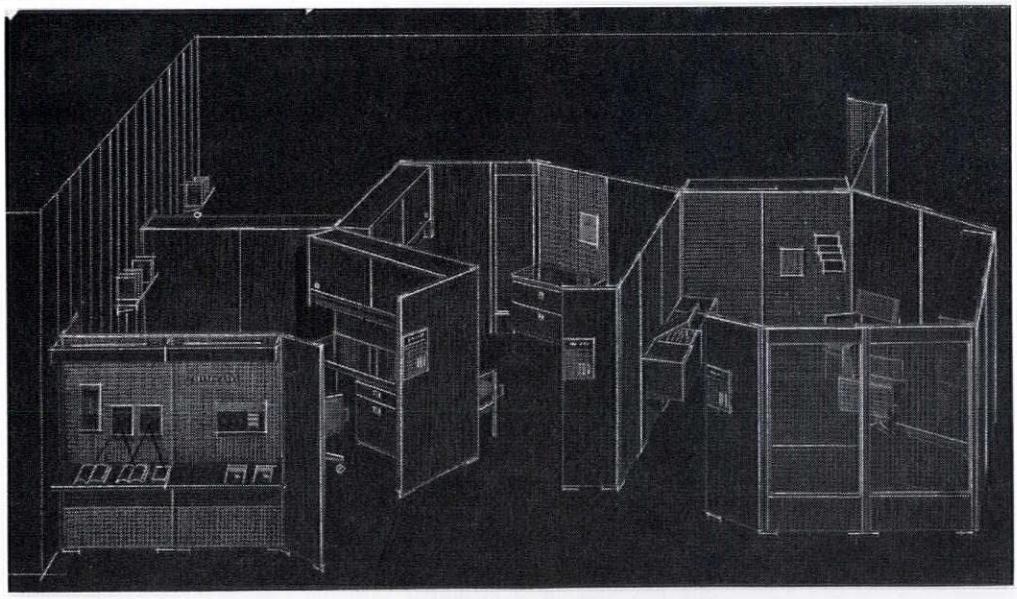
It seemed to me then, as it does now, fifty years later, that if a guy is a horse thief, you'd better help nail him, else tomorrow your horses may also be gone,—and if a guy is a liar and a cheat, we all better shape up and get him out of there, else it's all going to rub off on us, too.



Smokey Sam & Jack G. Wilmsen 1973

H. Robert Wilmsen, FAIA

(Sketches from Robert Wilmsen and daughter, Sherry, who is an artist up in Western Washington State College. We're happy to welcome a new "team" to our pages.)



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familiar resources, unfamiliar goals....

How about that headline upstairs . . . isn't that a dandy? Talented Darrel Smith of the Colorado Central Chapter is responsible and he has certainly captured graphically the intent of the 1973 WMR—"familiar resources/unfamiliar goals".

To underline this conference theme and to channel architectural energies during the three day meeting is the announcement by General Chairman Neal Carpenter of the Keynote Speaker who will be heard on Thursday morning at the initial formal session of the Western Mountain Regional. This gentleman is Terry Rankine, AIA, a partner in Cambridge Seven Associates, Architects and Planners. Mr. Rankine has been involved most recently in a Study through a National Science Foundation Grant dealing with the Creative Use and Conservation of Energy in Building. It is our understanding that he is not only extremely informative, well grounded in the subject at hand but also a speaker with a lively ability to keep his auditors awake and interested.

Equally stimulating will be Thursday's Luncheon Speaker — Larry E. Scott, Executive Vice President of the Greeley National Bank and Chairman of the Colorado Commission in Higher Education. A graduate of the University of South Dakota (B.A.-J.D.) he serves as a Trustee of the Monfort of Colorado Charitable Foundation, the Greeley National Bank Foundation and the Foundation of the University of Northern Colorado. All of this might indicate that Larry Scott is "the stuffy sort". Never believe it! Not only does the twinkle in the eye give him away but his own "tongue in cheek" resume backs up the twinkle. He writes concerning his presentation on Thursday—"9/20 is so far distant, there is no way I could have assembled any thoughts about a subject and knowing my proclivities, will probably be hard at work the 19th fattening out something relatively slender. Since, however, we are in the midst of a $5 million building project here with Neal and Bill Muchow and with the Capitol construction budget of CCHE, I would guess, without knowing for certain, that we will hear something about the view from the owner's side of construction." And, as anybody knows that "owner's view" is a mighty important one.

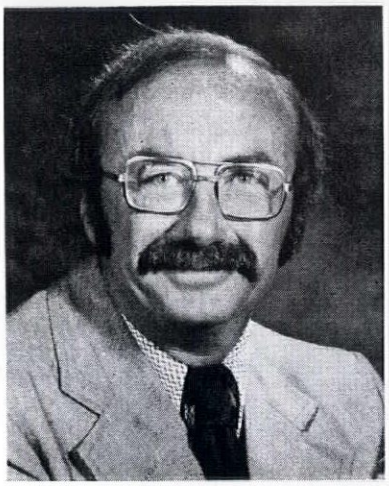
Up to now, "steaming up to the Stanley" has been pretty much of an all-male affair. Now, with a happy cry of "viva la difference" let us meet a couple of conference VIPS of the feminine persuasion. In charge of the Ladies Activities, and we understand they will be particularly interesting this year, is Jo Haller. Jo is well acquainted in and about the construction community having served as President of the Colorado Chapter of the Architectural Secretaries Association, and as one of the most efficient gals to come down this or any other pike. She has long been affiliated with the firm of William Muchow and Associates here in Denver. Our second introduction is to Dana Flitcraft, fifth year student in the architecture program at the University of Colorado and Chairman (Chair person?) of the 1973 Students Program. Dana says that "in the planning for the 1973 WMRC, the students have been given the opportunity not only to attend the Conference for very little cost, but also to organize our own speakers and program." Dana, by the by, is the student representative on the Executive Board of the Colorado Central Chapter and will work with "Dev" Carlson, FAIA, Professor at the University and a member of the Exec. Board for CCC.

Plans for the Students Program are, of course, nebulous at this writing since Dana is hoping to have in-put from all the other schools in the Western Mountain Region. The overall, however, will follow the format of the Conference itself with emphasis upon the conservation of energy, historic preservation and other timely topics. "Many students at our school," reports Dana, "have done some fine projects pertaining to the Conference subjects which may be exhibited. Examples include a six screen slide presentation on Larimer Square, a foam house designed and built, new environments for living in space, etc. Other plans for the program includes speakers, panels and possibly a workshop, but none have yet been determined."

Structuring a Western Mountain Region program **by** students—**for** students seems such a logical way to go,

the creative approach to the use of energy

Dana and Friend



Larry E. Scott

Jo Haller

and an exchange of ideas between these young people should prove invaluable to their architectural education. Dana, herself, is originally from New Jersey, but has succumbed to the lure of the "high country" and plans to stay in Colorado following her graduation from the University. At some future date, she may return for her Masters, but at this time is principally interested in residential design and model construction. This year's Student's Program really provides a great opportunity to the young architects in our area to "do their own thing". Right on, Budding Architects!

By the time this issue of Symposia lands on the desk of WMR Architects they may well have in hand the "Rules and Regulations" for the 1973 Honor Awards Program. However—we will reprint same here for others who may be interested in making a presentation. From Awards Chairman T. A. Grossman, Jr., Chairman, A.I.A. Awards Committee—

HONOR AWARDS PROGRAM

ELIGIBILITY

Any project which has been constructed within the limits of the Western Mountain Region and which has not been submitted in previous regional competitions is eligible for this program. Non-architect designed projects and projects designed by out-of-region architects are eligible.

SUBMITTAL

A fee of $25.00 per project submitted will be charged and shall accompany each entry. Projects will be submitted on 35 mm transparent slides prepared to adequately describe the project. The scope and number of slides shall be left up to the firm submitting; however, the maximum number of slides shall be 40 per project. The slides will be sent to the competition committee in a Kodak carousel tray and box in proper order with each slide bearing a sequential number. Do not submit more than one project per carousel. Identification of carousel trays and boxes shall be sole responsibility of the entrant. Projects shall be submitted to: T. A. Grossman, Jr., Chairman, AIA Honor Awards Committee, 820 16th St., Suite 520, Denver, Colorado 80202. Submittals shall arrive at the above address no later than 5:00 p.m. MDT, 31 August, 1973.

JUDGING

The projects will be reviewed and selections made prior to the Regional Conference. Basis for judgment shall be the quality and design of the project and the quality of the presentation. A **very brief** written program should accompany the slides with the sequential numbers of the individual slides coordinated with the written material. The number and designation of awards shall be determined by the jury and the awards committee.

EXHIBITION

The Honor Awards and other projects indicated by the judges will be assembled into a coordinated program for presentation at the conference. The Honor Awards slide presentation program will become the property of the American Institute of Architects for one year and will be retained by the Western Mountain Region for distribution and presentation throughout the year to interested parties. The judges reserve the right to edit all presentations retained. The other projects will be returned to the submitting offices after the conference is over.

PUBLICITY

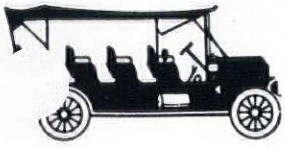
The award winners will be notified of the forthcoming awards after the judging and will be requested to furnish 8" x 10" glossy prints for publicity. It is anticipated that news releases will be prepared and stories will be given out to various publications within the Western Mountain Region.

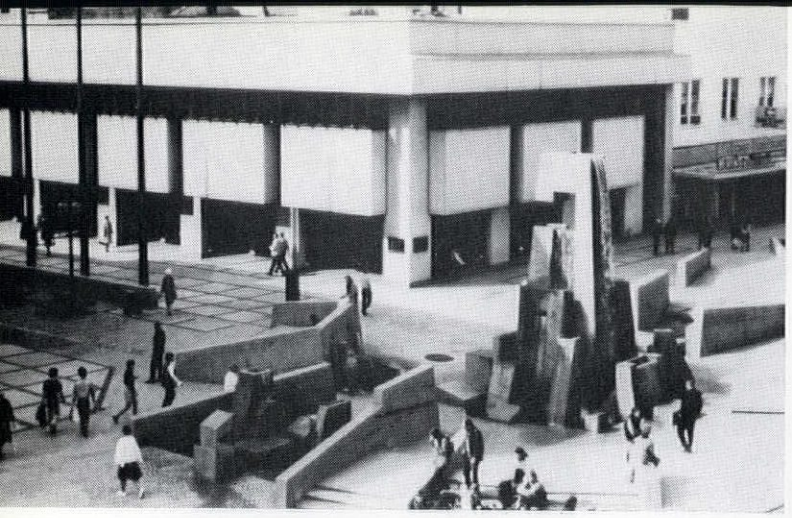
Are you ready, Western Mountain Region?

Let us steam up to the Stanley—a beautiful place to be in September—the aspens are turning a glowing gold and Autumn is at her loveliest. The Stanley offers every amenity . . . truly a convention site, par excellence! Come CASUAL—informality is the emphasis in 1973 . . . an opportunity to get together with your friends and neighbors in the Western Mountain Region—learn, experience and enjoy.

The Colorado Central Chapter is waiting with an open-hearted Western Welcome!!

steamin' up to the Stanley





CITY CENTER MALL
Eugene, Oregon

by: A. Robert Thomas
Eugene Renewal Agency

Central Mall Plaza and Fountain. Background Building was remodeled anticipating Mall Development.

The Eugene Mall
Built by the Urban Renewal Agency/City of Eugene
Designers:
Planners: George Rockrise and Associates
Architects: Morin, Longwood and Edlund
Landscape: Mitchell, Macarthur, Gardiner and O'Kane

(Our interest in the Eugene Mall predates this article by a number of years—sparked originally by Robert Odermatt of the planning firm of George Rockrise and Associates, San Francisco, whom we met during "Architecture Week" in Salt Lake City. What was then a schematic plan has become a reality, and this frank appraisal of the Mall and its impact upon the Central Business District of the city of Eugene comes to us through the kind offices of "our man" in that community, Paul Edlund. The author is A. Robert Thomas who has served the Eugene Renewal Agency since 1967 as Administrative Assistant. Mr. Thomas is an architectural graduate of Rice University, and has taken graduate work in Planning at the University of Oregon. He is a registered architect in the state of Texas. We are most grateful to Mr. Thomas and to Paul for bringing this exceptional feature and the fine graphics to Symposia's pages.)

The Eugene Mall is a clear, tactile expression of a city's determination to have a strong, highly visible, and pleasing center. Further, it is evidence of a public policy, vigorously pursued, to make the center capable of functioning as an important market for retail goods and services in the face of stiff competition from peripheral centers. From the highway signs directing the motorists to "CITY CENTER—MALL", to the new central plaza and fountain at Broadway and Willamette Streets, (traditional number one corner) the project has been a continuing response to the stated goal of the 1966 citizens' Conference on Community Goals and Policies, to " . . make the downtown core a place that has general magnetic appeal . . ." The Renewal Plan has incorporated that goal and has elaborated on it through a series of public discussion meetings. The three dimensional product is now taking shape in the execution phase of the Downtown Urban Renewal Plan.

The mall's physical form resulted from detailed design strategies, the combined work of citizen participation groups, staff, and consultants. They can be summarized in four main categories:

1. Pedestrian orientation

Establish a precinct downtown, free of automobiles but readily accessible to pedestrians. This precinct should do more than furnish a passive haven for the footborne; it should actively attract pedestrians by offering incentives and rewards such as attractive places to promenade, to sit, to be seen, to see others; places to meet friends; places to encounter the unexpected as well as the expected.

2. Retail-use

The precinct should provide a setting for retail trade in the CBD conducive to keeping as much as possible of what originally existed and adding specialty stores as the daytime population increases. The precinct should therefore be accessible and attractively connected to existing and planned office concentrations in the CBD. The precinct should become a marketplace from front to back, side to side, and top to bottom. Pedestrian paths should be increased in number and direction so as to lace the entire area rather than following only the old street rights-of-way.

3. Image

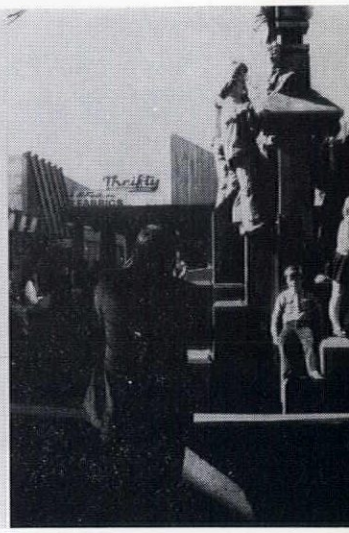
The precinct should provide such a strong and pleasant visual image that the experience of being there is easily recalled, orientation is easy, pleasure is high, and those who have experienced it will want to return.

4. Utility for diverse groups

The precinct should appeal to people of any age, income, or sector of the community. It should be possible for all to find something of interest. It should be the marketplace of different cultural ideas as well as a retailing center. Only in this way can it serve as the heart as well as the physical center of the community.

About a half of the total redevelopment property bordering the mall has yet to be sold, only about a third actually has new development standing on it, the mall itself is not yet complete; nevertheless the question is often heard, "Is the mall a success?" According to a recent poll published in the *Eugene Register Guard*, 60% of those interviewed, both shoppers and merchants, think the Mall was a good idea. Actual sales figures are not available, but sales are up by most reports. There have been a lot of moves by retail establishments, often from one downtown spot to another; but there is still a net loss of total retail footage as many retailers have moved to peripheral shopping centers or gone out of business. Those in favor of the mall will say it kept things from being worse. Those opposed say the mall drove people and business out. Those who expected to see the instantaneous success of a built-overnight shopping center were bound to be disappointed. True, there was an immediate relief from traffic interference, more convenient parking, and high imaginability; but there—the similarities to a shopping center stop.

The majority of the factors in the success of shopping

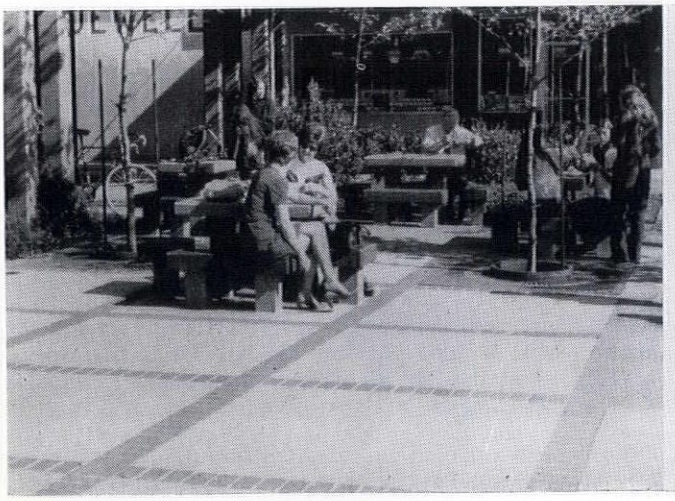


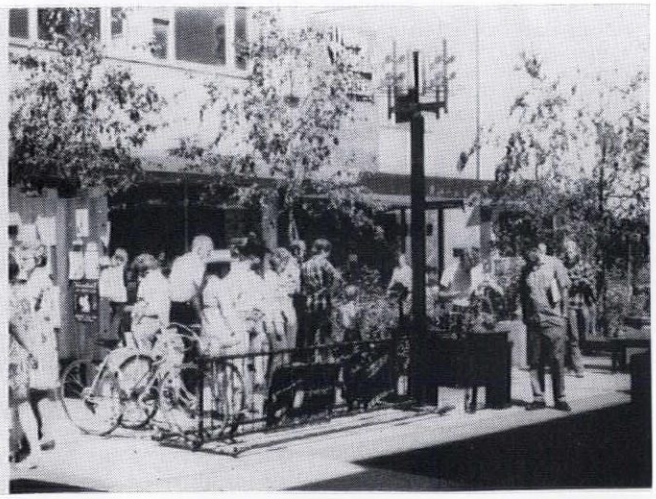
At left: Arts and Crafts Show—typical of Mall summertime activities. At right: Children's Play Areas get hard use.

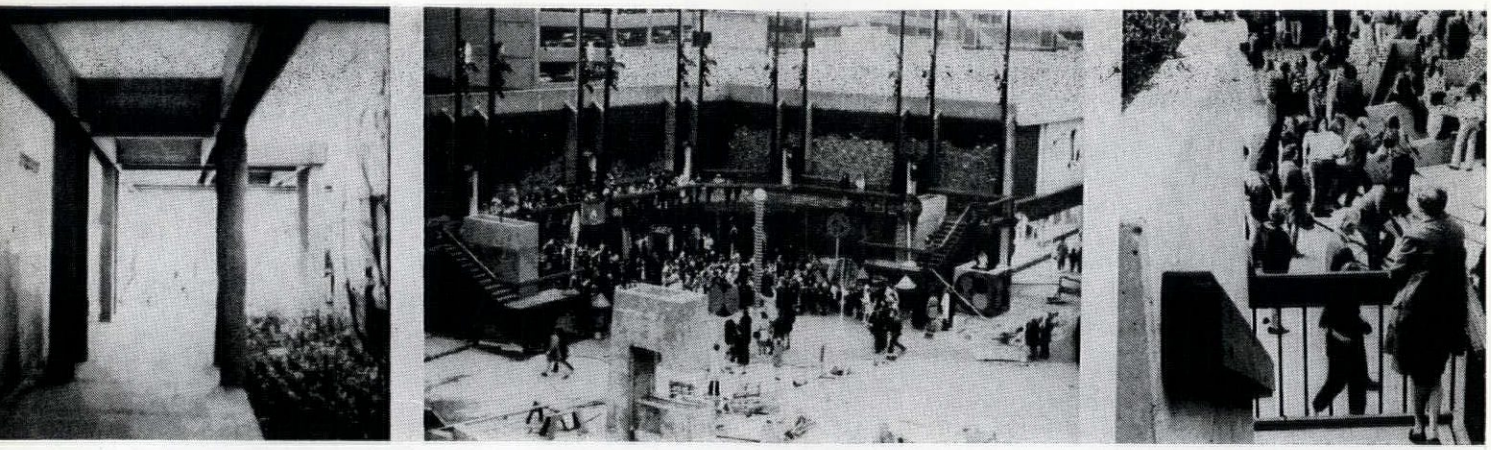
centers are beyond the ability of mall designs or city administrations to produce. Consider unified advertising, freeway approaches, free parking, uniform hours, strict sign and storefront design coordination, up-to-date merchandising, control of the mix, not to mention cheap land and less stringent building codes. Some of these factors have been simulated through the operation of the Eugene Downtown Association, but only at the cost of much lost time and energy. Resistance to synergetic activities is rampant. Shopping centers do these things much better.

In some quarters the mall has actually hurt the idea of downtown as a retail center. This back lash is seen among both radi-lib youth (and their mentors) and old-time conservatives alike. The old timers see any change in the established order as threatening, and they are philosophically opposed to any government intervention in the "natural" market forces that were driving retail activities out to the periphery. The radi-libs see the newly created pedestrian precinct as the result of an unholy alliance between government and business creating higher profits and greater growth. They also, illogically, point to the "failure" of the mall to produce these as a reason why the project is a waste.

At left: Relaxing at Lunch time — At right: The Mall is always a lively place to be.







Left to Right: Covered alleys connect Mall with adjacent parking areas. Central Plaza provides setting for many public activities. Typical Mall scene.

To friend and foe alike, the mall, is tangible proof of local government's commitment to saving the CBD, a commitment that at last begins to approach the scale of the unwitting support that has for years been given to the centrifugal forces constantly at work to building the periphery of the city at the expense of the core. Those who object to a public policy of keeping a strong CBD should realize that it was also public policy that built the arterial-freeway system, rezoned agricultural land for commercial uses, deferred annexation and higher taxes until new peripheral development could "get on its feet", established building codes that allow less expensive construction outside the CBD, subsidized sewer construction into peripheral areas, and established tax policies that penalize updating of existing structures in the CBD.

One looks at the mall in many lights, and in some its success is already apparent. It never fails to inspire favorable comment from newcomers and visitors. The majority of Eugenians find shopping downtown more of a pleasure than it used to be. Businesses along the mall in existing structures have begun to remodel in ways that capitalize on the new environment. The planned pedestrian network is being augmented by the construction of a number of new developments that extend circulation paths through private property bordering the mall giving the pedestrian even greater choice and freedom of movement, and providing greater exposure to the retail operation. One business, a long existing pop-corn stand removed from another part of the renewal project has been happily relocated in the mall itself, foreshadowing similar developments in the mall pavilions that were designed to accommodate such business operations as the future market develops.

To the retailer who opens up his storefront to provide the shopper a more interesting exposure to his part of the marketplace, to the strolling shopper who has learned to savor the leisurely enjoyment possible there, to the clerk sitting by the central fountain watching the secretaries go to coffee, to the people eating their lunches at the tables under the trees on Olive street, to all of these the mall is a success. It has shown the general public that the CBD is not going to be replaced entirely by a system of peripheral shopping centers. These is a new environment at the center of things to be explored and experienced, providing a commonly shared image of "our town", a unifying influence. Even the lengthy and pyrotechnic Mall Use Regulations hearings at City Hall showed the mall to be a success, for neither of the opposing sides was willing to surrender *their* mall to the other. The liberal, sometimes radical, civil-rights oriented group wanted to be able to come downtown just to lie on the grass and wash in the fountain. The merchant group demonstrated their faith and commitment to the idea of doing business downtown by fighting for the "right kind of business atmosphere", instead of moving to the periphery where shopping center management already had "the problem" controlled. In the end neither side got everything they wanted, but they both stayed and became more civilized. They still may not like each other much, but the mall is too attractive to leave.

Isn't that how a city is supposed to work?

August 25th Deadline For AISC Competition

Entries in the 1973 Architectural Awards of Excellence/ Fourteenth Annual Competition for the American Institute of Steel Construction must be submitted before August 25, 1973. Architects are invited to submit one or more entries of buildings demonstrating imaginative and aesthetic ways of using steel. Buildings of all types are eligible, but they must be framed in structural steel and completed after January 1, 1972 and prior to August 25, 1973. Submissions are judged on architectural merit rather than size.

Architects are encouraged to enter urban renewal or other structures particularly designed to improve the living environment of all citizens, and architectural designs involving or developing building systems or industrialized building methods are also welcomed.

The Awards Jury is a blue ribbon panel including five eminent architects and engineers—they are: Pietro Belluschi, FAIA; William W. Caudill, FAIA; Victor O. Gray, M.ASCE; Ambrose M. Richardson, FAIA and Archibald Rogers, FAIA.

For complete competition rules and entry forms—please contact AISC, 101 Park Avenue, New York 10017.

Annual Convention — June 25-27 — Washington, D.C.

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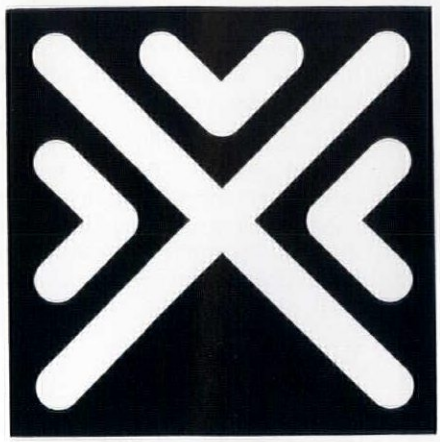


Construction Specifications Institute

We Wrap It Up...

The "Symposia Team" responsible for this excellent coverage of the 25th Anniversary Convention of the Construction Specifications Institute certainly deserves some special citations. The congenial conventioneer is R. (that's for Rocky) James Noone, Director for Region 10; Walt Bishop, CSI (coming-up next month); Bob Schmidt, FCSI, and newly installed national Secretary for the Institute. Bob is also responsible for obtaining the pictures which accompany this article . . . and an additional thanks to Gene Dutchak of the Institute for his cooperation in this department. An extra bonus this year is the report on the Ladies Program and a look ahead to 1974 from those two very nice people up Portland way, Lee Kilbourn and his wife Perky. Our appreciation to them all!

Day One — June 25

OPENING SESSION

The opening session provided us with the customary invocation, introductions and a welcome to Washington, D.C. by the Honorable John A. Nevius, Chairman, District of Columbia City Council.

This was followed by the Awards presentation to the several members, agencies and chapters for their significant contributions during the year. A special award this year was the Awards presentation to the several members, agencies and chapters for their significant contributions during the year. A special award this year was the "Distinguished Service Award" presented to Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller of New York for his creation of the "New York State Council on Architecture", and for his decision that the CSI Format be used by all State Agencies in state construction work. Another award, the "Cooperation Award" was presented to the NYS Council on Architecture for its liaison work involving the use of the Format.

Our Salt Lake City Chapter was honored with an Honorable Mention Award for its Chapter Newsletter, "Salt Lake Chapter News". Congratulations to its Editor, Sherman Lundgren.

Of special interest to CSI Region 10, and particularly to the Denver Chapter was the only Honor Award presentation made by CSI this year. (See Symposia Salute) It went to Mr. Carl Koeppen, CSI, for his specification for the Sterns-Roger project, "Municipal Building Complex for the City of Glendale, Colorado." In the view of the CSI Jury, it was the best of all submitted throughout the nation. We are especially proud that Carl belongs to the Denver CSI.

The Convention Preview and Overview by John Fleck, FCSI, was as perceptive and far sighted as his other actions during his tenure as President of the Institute. His urging of the members to recognize the potential of the organization and to address themselves to constructive, effective efforts was followed by a spectacular slide show presentation. We saw graphic examples of the "Constructed Towers of Man" through recorded history. The impact of a visual comparison between "use" and "abuse" will last a long time.

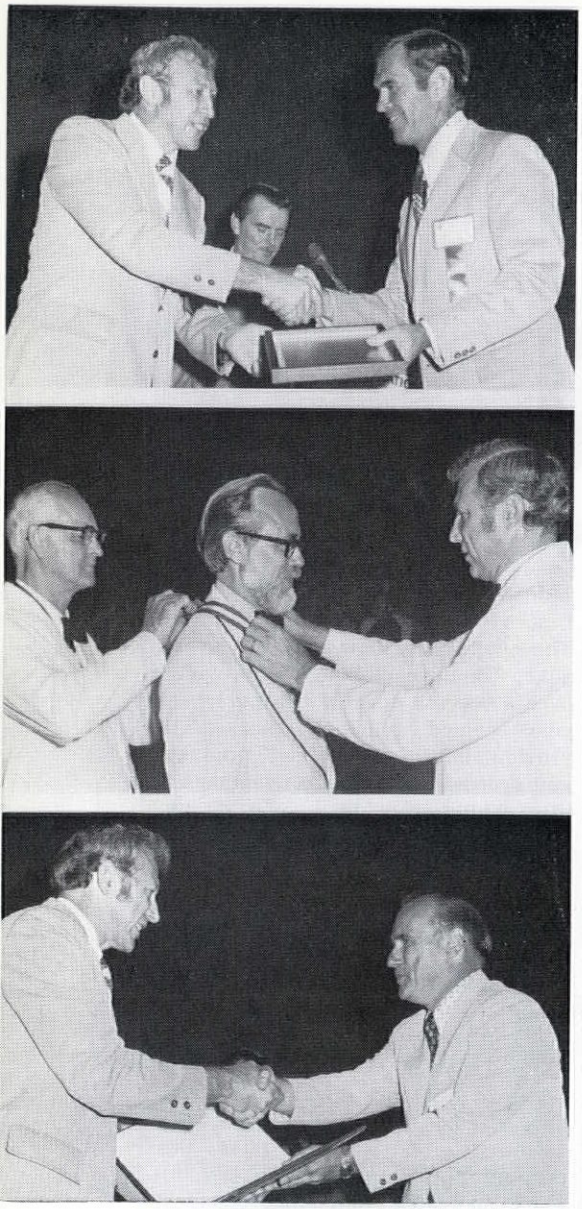
Prior to the start of Technical Sessions we got our first view of the Industry exhibits on display. The first view is always overwhelming. The quality somehow improves every year. This year Industry provided over 400 booth spaces with personnel who seemed genuinely pleased to provide information about products and processes. For the conventioneer, this exhibit viewing is one of the most relaxing and enjoyable parts of each of the three days.

TECHNICAL SESSION #1
DYNAMIC ACTION

Mr. Robert F. Petterson, FCSI, with PSAE, provided us with a review of the CSI document history to date. CSI's Technical Document Program began in 1956 with thinking and planning that has proved valid even when reviewed some 17 years later. Our current appraisal of the Industry situation indicates that the technical document program is still inadequate to satisfy today's demand. This, in spite of the fact that more CSI technical documents have been produced in the past two years than in all of the preceding 23 years of CSI's existence. Hence, we are maintaining this rapid pace to serve the needs of today's practitioners.

Further supporting the validity-view of the current document program, Mr. Harold L. Olson, FCSI, of the firm of Olson & Associates, of Madison, Wis., spoke of the utility of the CSI documents in his current practice. As with other practitioners familiar with the CSI work, Mr. Olson is anxious to get on with future development of complete specifications preparation. He urged the CSI to use its technical expertise as a base for continuing growth that will help PEOPLE in today's practice and work.

Any doubts about the effectiveness of the CSI to date should have been



Top to Bottom: M. Keith Richardson, Salt Lake Chapter President, received Honorable Mention/Category 3 for the Salt Lake Chapter News. Dick Perrell of Phoenix achieves Institute Fellowship and at bottom Carl Koeppen, Denver, gets the Honor Award/ CSI Specifications Competition. CSI Prexy John Fleck, FCSI, does the honors.

dispelled by Mr. John P. Jannson, CSI, of the "New York State Council on Architecture". This state agency has specialized powers that influence design and construction processes, including the aesthetic, the functional, the environmental and the scheduling processes. With $11 billion worth of construction in New York State affected by this agency's attention, it was convincing to hear Mr. Jannson's statement that the use of the CSI Format and documents helped them in the organization of data and work.

Further, he urged all States and the Federal Government Agencies to adopt the CSI Format and document organization in order to achieve the same goals that his agency sought: to increase accuracy in Bidding; and, to assist in the control of projects during construction.

He concluded with the plea that elected officials of the CSI and AIA talk to each other . . . and please get together on a decision that identifies different portions of the specifications documents, with either numerals or alphabet.

TECHNICAL SESSION #2
DYNAMIC DIRECTION

How far are we going? And how fast? Unless we are made aware that we are achieving intermediate goals, are we sure that our strategy for the next 25 years is sound?

Pointing out an intermediate goal within reach was Mr. Leroy Gilbert, CSI, representing the ASTM. He suggested that CSI's concern with Performance Specifications should reasonably include references to and descriptions of the ASTM standards currently in force and those being contemplated. I got the inference that ASTM would be amenable to developing performance testing techniques to aid in evaluating new products and operational systems. This is certainly an intermediate goal . . . within reach.

The benefits that accrue to Industry through CSI participation were documented by Mr. Carl Bauman, CSI, Executive Director of the American Society of Architectural Hardware Consultants. His specific example of industry improvement dwelt upon that old problem of hardware specification and schedule nomenclature. Through the mutual interest of CSI and ASAHC this problem situation is being alleviated with a suggested specification and schedule document that will benefit the Hardware Industry as well as the construction industry. Another intermediate goal . . . within reach.

Another fertile area for CSI involvement, immediately, was brought to our attention by Mr. William G. Kirkland, Vice President for the American Iron and Steel Institute. He reminded us that in its brief history, OSHA has made its presence known, and adherence to its tenets is mandatory. The CSI should work with OSHA and see to it that construction documents and performance comply with the mandatory requirements. It was not outside Mr. Kirkland's view that we may have a Federal Code for Buildings (soon?) also thrust upon us with similar mandatory requirements affecting all local jurisdictions. Should CSI be involved in the preparation, or be merely an observer reacting to the eventual document? Another intermediate goal, also within reach.

Concluding the first day's activities was the "Jazztime Party" social evening at the Army/Navy Club in Arlington. The three patio areas required, with three jazz combos, three dance floors, three snack bars with great canapes, hors d'oeuvres and snack, and about 30 bars were arranged by the host Washington Chapter to convince all registrants that, "We had arrived". It was great. The view of the Capital City across the river at night was spectacular . . . even through the bottom of a glass.

The congenial conventioneer, R. James Noone, CSI/AIA

Day Two — June 26

Some extenuating circumstances made it impossible for Walt Bishop, CSI, of Auburn, Washington to complete his report of the activities on this part of our CSI Sandwich by the deadline. We will, however, review these important activities in the up-coming September . . . with additional comment perhaps from Dick Perrell and our friends from Portland . . . the Kilbourns.

Day Three — June 27

John C. Anderson, FCSI, a Past President of the Institute and currently President, The Construction Sciences Research Foundation presented this portion of the program. In speaking to CSI's force and influence in research and development of product information and construction communications, he gave a summary of the beginnings and background of the CSRF. He set the mood of his presentation by reading a sizeable quote from Charles Kettering—a portion of which was, ". . . going out to look for change rather than waiting for it to happen". This was the main thrust behind the event that took place at the Executive Committee meeting in March 1967 which can be marked as the starting point of CSI "going out to look for change".

CSI—Dynamic Exploration

It was on November 10, 1967 that the Construction Specifications Institute Research Foundation (now CSRF)

was authorized. One of its earliest accomplishments was the publication of the study on automation of specifications and its state-of-the-art. This study was beyond the capabilities of CSI as it was structured so was performed by contract with the Stanford Research Institute. The development of this study was indeed the keystone of accomplishments that CSI and CSRF have enjoyed in the past and have reason to expect in the future. It was in this study, published in December 1967, that the now rather universally accepted concept of Level I thru Level VI classifications of specifications was originated. This earliest accomplishment was made possible as a result of the $30,000 interest bearing capitalization loan that the Foundation obtained from the CSI.

Mr. Anderson briefly described the other accomplishments — SPEC-DATA*, SPEC-DATA II*, Project CONCOM* and COMSPEC* — which makes Levels III and IV available.

With this foundation of the past and present, he next presented a glimpse into the future of CSRF. Based upon a charge developed by the CSI Long Range Planning Committee and passed onto the Foundation, they have developed the future priorities of various elements of Project CONCOM* as follows: COMEST*, COMSCHED*, COMCALC*, COMGRAPH* and COMSTOR*. The CSRF is now evaluating a Stanford Research Institute proposal for a limited survey of the state-of-the-art for COMEST*.

He announced that CSRF was planning on signing a contract at the end of June with the Department of Housing and Urban Development to develop, design and implement a program for individually owned residences.

From this source and anticipated royalties, the CSRF is planning to start making payments against the principal of the various loans it has from the CSI.

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CSI—Beyond "The Domain"

This presentation was given in two parts. The first part was from Arthur W. Brown, FCSI, a Past President of the Institute, long active in all phases of Institute activity and last year served as the Chairman, First International Congress on Construction Communications which convened in Rotterdam, The Netherlands and was co-sponsored by CSI. He provided his audience with a quick summary from the First Congress of the status of construction communications in many of the countries from throughout the Free World that participated in the Congress.

Mr. Brown stressed that the construction industry as it is traditionally known must change to meet the demand of the times or it will be taken over by new young elements entering into the industry. CSI is in the unique position to perform this task.

The second part was delivered by Wayne Watson, President, Specification Writers Association of Canada and deeply involved in Canadian participation in the development of the Uniform Construction Index. Mr. Watson related the similarity between the work being conducted in Canada and the United States on information storage and retrieval, standardization, construction communications, etc. He also touched on the development of the Uniform Construction Index.

Convention Summary

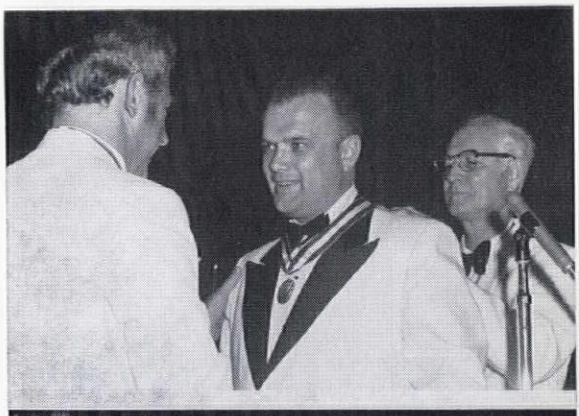
This most difficult task was performed in an outstanding manner by Terrell R. Harper, FCSI, a Past President of the Institute, chairman of the Institute's Silver Anniversary Commemorative Committee and long involved in all phases of CSI activity.

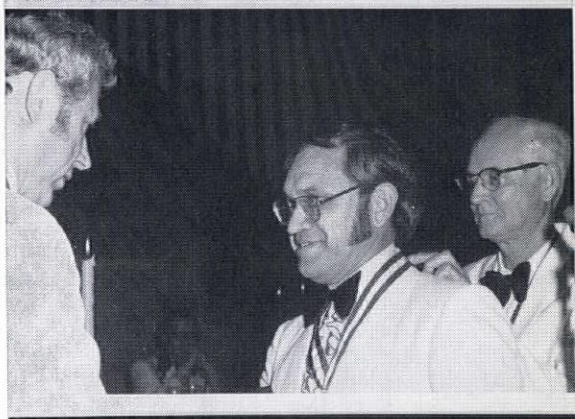
Membership Forum

This first session on Wednesday afternoon was the time for the general membership to discuss any subject they desired without the restraints of any particular set of rules except gentlemanly conduct and order.

Something more than 25 members rose to make comment or pose a question. Their chapter affiliations ranged from Boston to San Diego, from Dallas to Nashville, from Phoenix to Miami and many others.

The topics were many and varied including such as a date on membership certificates, endorsement of products by the Institute, three hour seminar package for regional conferences soon to be available, membership drive, funding of a meeting for the Jury of Fellows, development of student chapters, endorsement of MASTERSPEC*, reorganization of Technical Documents Committee, competition between PSAE and CSI, philosophy of paying for green sheets and limited distribution of pink sheets for review.





Good Fellows All: Top to Bottom—Larry Fisher, Spokane—H. Maynard Blumer, Phoenix and Thomas W. Keeton, Jr., Denver and Pikes Peak. A happy occasion!

Annual Meeting

All delegates and non-delegates to the Annual Meeting were seated together in their region area as approved by the Board of Directors at their January, 1973 meeting as an addendum to the "Regulations for Annual Meetings". The Standing Rules were modified prior to approval by the membership by the insertion of "color card" in Rule No. 11. Each delegate had been provided with a colored card upon entering the hall. It had one yellow and one white side with "Yea" and "Nay" for voting purposes. The President made use of the cards for each vote taken.

The Best in Show Award for the exhibit booths was awarded to Libbey-Owens-Ford Company. The Man-Mile Trophy was presented to the Puerto Rico Chapter.

The Credentials Committee presented the following report on delegates which was accepted:

501 Professional members were authorized, 333 were present for a percentage of 66.5%. 377 Industry members were authorized, 137 were present for a percentage of 36.3%. 27 At-Large members were authorized, 26 were present for 96.3%. Of a total of 905 authorized, 496 were present which made the total percentage 54.8%.

Resolution No. 73-01 to eliminate Section Directors and make Industry members eligible for office of Region Director with four Industry members Region Directors on a rotating basis had been submitted by the Metropolitan New York Chapter and was placed on the floor. After some discussion, the D.C. Chapter presented a substitute motion which was accepted. It, in essence, removed the precise time-frame requirement of the original motion and required that a study be made by the Board of Directors on th subject. After rather lengthy discussion, it was defeated.

Resolution No. 73-02 concerning CSI endorsed travel and lodging accommodations as submitted by the Memphis Chapter was withdrawn.

Under "Other Business Presented for Consideration of the Annual Meeting", the Los Angeles Chapter had submitted the subject of membership classification. It was not presented as a resolution only as an item to be discussed by the delegates. Discussed it was! There was no real conclusion. Opinions were expressed on letting it remain as it is, having only one class of membership and having more than the present two classifications.

President's Banquet

The grand finale — the banquet — was, as always, a splendid affair. There were more than one thousand in attendance to listen to President-Elect Robert E. Vansant, FCSI, give his message for the next year. They also observed the impressive investiture of thirteen members as Fellows of the Institute. Elsewhere you will find pictures of the four from "Symposia-land".

This was indeed a fine convention in our nation's capitol which paid tribute to CSI on its first quarter century of existence. It was the third largest convention in attendance exceeded only by the conventions at Chicago and Anaheim. The total registration of all types was in excess of 2,700.

Robert J. Schmidt, FCSI

And the Ladies!

The Ladies program of the 17th Annual Convention of the Construction Specifications Institute began with the Silver Anniversary banquet Sunday evening, during which the guests heard the early history of CSI. At the Monday luncheon the ladies were entertained by a retrospective fashion experience entitled "Twenty-five years of Fashions". In addition to clothing, this included a dance duo demonstrating the various dances which have been popular over the last twenty-five years and a discussion of what CSI was doing at the time each fashion was introduced. Monday evening's activity was the CSI/McGraw-Hill party held at the Army/Navy Country Club. Music was provided by several groups of Jazz musicians and hors d'oeuvres and drinks were served.

On Tuesday the ladies received a glimpse of an embassy, the Islamic Center, Washington Cathedral and Woodlawn plantation. Woodlawn was a gift of George Washington to his niece and has quite extensive grounds. A portion of the grounds had been prepared for CSI ladies with tents and tables for a colonial basket lunch. The traditional President's banquet was Wednesday night with investiture of Fellowship to Region 12's Larry Fisher of the Spokane Chapter and other CSI members.

A few of the wives attended various portions of the technical program including awards presentation and those technical sessions where their husbands were on the program. Other wives were welcomed at technical sessions; attending them for greater understanding of the Construction Industry.

Although most of the contingent from Region 12 traveled as a group across the United States to Washington, D.C., a CSI Grand National always presents everyone with an opportunity to make new friends and renew acquaintances with folks from other places and past conventions. The Region 12 group, however, did enjoy a visit to Jamestown, Williamsburg and other historically significant points of interest before returning home.

Perky (Priscilla) Kilbourn

Next Year — Portland!

"Construction Sciences and Nature's Mighty Law" is the proposed subject of the 1974 Convention of the Construction Specifications Institute to be held in Portland, Oregon June 24-26, 1974. The Institute Staff predicts a turnout approximately equal to the 1973 convention. We hope everyone bears in mind Oregon Governor Tom McCall's statement.

"Come visit — don't Stay".

The early bird tour will soon be decided and will be held on Sunday, the 24th. Several post convention tours for the '74 convention have been planned and those attending the '73 convention had the opportunity to express preferences. Portland Chapter called attention to their State by bringing along samples of the Region's delicious natural resource—Chinook Salmon. These fish weighed about 10 lbs. each and had been glaze frozen so that they could be admired in a freezer in the Georgia-Pacific Booth at this year's convention. The fish were given away to ten lucky people whose names were drawn—also given away were six fishing trips, to be collected in June-July, 1974 in Oregon.

Whether you "want" or "won" a fishing trip, come join us in Portland, in 1974.

Co-Chairmen for the Host Chapter/1974—Dick Ehmann, FCSI, and Russ Graham.

Lee Kilbourn, CSI
Editor/The Predicator

Convention Coverage will be complete in September with the "good word" from Walter F. Bishop and Co.

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Publicity Chairman for this year's Northwest Regional Conference is Robert M. Jones, AIA, Tacoma, Washington and he and his colleagues are turning in a performance which would make the "gray flannel group" from Madison Avenue green with envy! First, we received a round white cylinder with bold blue lettering announcing "see you round" and the message in red which suggests "Architecture needs to get around—around to change". Then we found in our "smilin' Symposia mailbox" a handy note pad with advance information on the first few pages and then you are invited to "doodle, write notes, concepts, anything as long as you leave it on top of your desk for everyone to see". The preview included in this note pad is beguiling indeed. By the time you have finished reading you're all set to pack your suitcase and head north.

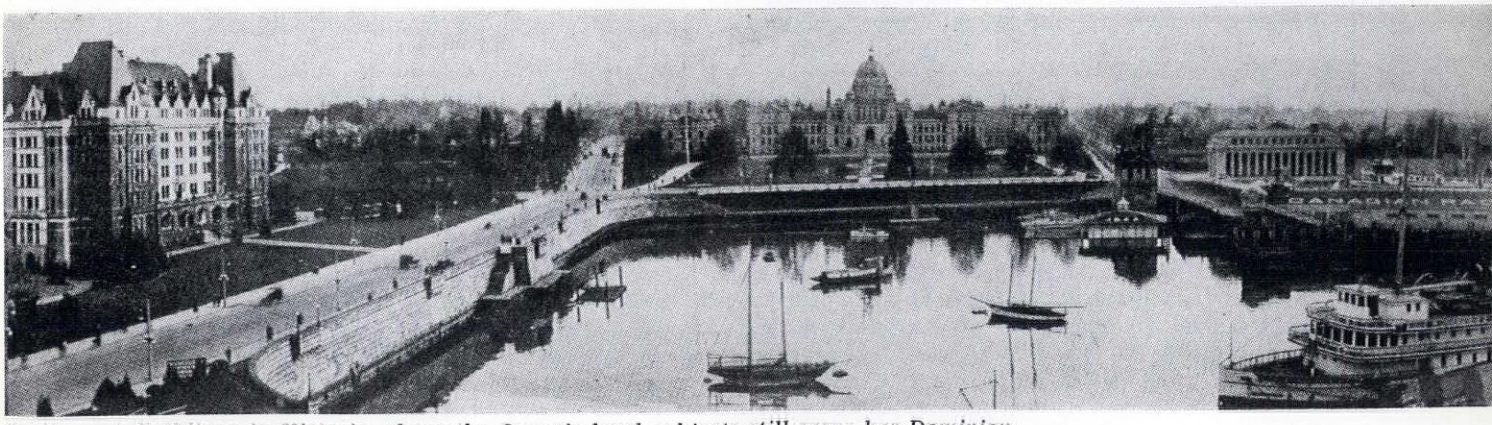
The Conference itself will take a good hard look at tomorrow and what it holds for the architect. The setting is right out of yesterday. "I can assure you," wrote our Man in Washington, Fred Creager, "they have picked a marvelous place for the Conference—a small community, on an island and a grand, old hotel with great shops and an exciting renewed area." Victoria has been described as a "little bit of England" and is located on the southeastern tip of Vancouver Island.

Although you can fly from Sea-Tac International Airport to Victoria—the Ferry sounds like a lot more fun. The world's biggest double-ended ferry wends its way from Anacortes through the beautiful San Juan Islands to Sidney which is a short coach ride from Victoria. You can also cruise from Vancouver to Sidney or a shorter crossing is made from Port Angeles in Washington where you disembark about two blocks from the Empress Hotel. The Conference committee recommends that "michigan monsters" be left on the mainland since ferry connections by car can be a hassle, more expensive and you won't need your petrol powered pony once you're in Victoria. Besides wouldn't you rather ride a double-decker bus or walk the winding cobbled streets.

Some of the "must see—must dos" in this quiet and charming bit of the Old World is the sight of a real thatched roof, Craigdarroch Castle, Butchart Gardens and lamp posts festooned with flowers. Perhaps you'd like to watch a cricket match on the green (it may be incomprehensible), feed a biscuit to Her Majesty's Swans or treat yourself to Eggs Benedict at the Empress Hotel. There is Antique Row, Trounce Alley and Oak Bay Marina. In a word, Victoria is "enjoy".

In apposition to traditional Victoria is the theme of the Conference itself . . . architects from the Northwest are being armed with the definitive kinds of information which will enable them to shape their future rather than allowing the future to shape them. The important questions impinging upon "The Architect and His Future" will be discussed by six distinguished speakers. Among those present will be S. Scott Ferebee, Jr., FAIA, President of the American Institute of Architects; William W. Caudill, FAIA, of the prestigious firm of Caudill-Rowlett-Scott. Mr. Caudill has authored a number of books in his field including "Architecture by Team", his most recent. (Mr. Jones terms Mr. C.—"our idea of the architect's architect.) Also in the line-up is Chet Huntley, formerly of NBC News, currently Senior Vice President of Levine, Huntley and Schmidt of Big Sky Country and Paul Thiry, FAIA, who is the Past Chancellor of the College of Fellows. David M. Scott, AIA, who is Chairman of the Department of Architecture at Washington State University, will be one of the featured speakers and treating the man-nature dialogue will be Professor Ervin Zube of the Institute for Man and His Environment at the University of Massachusetts.

When you can experience both past and future today—Victoria, B.C. in September is certainly the place to be! Architecture is "getting around"—there is a future shock awaiting the Northwest Region and they meet it headon. It's Architecture 360°—The Architect and His Future!



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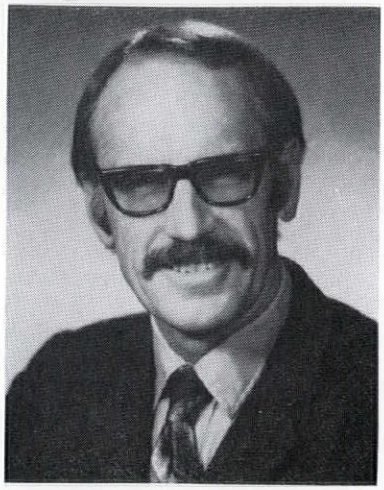

Neil Farnham, President
Portland Chapter
American Institute of Architects

We're in the "better late than never" category with this intro to Neil who is "fearless leading" the Portland Chapter with gusto and aplomb. Neil originally hails from Bend, Oregon, attended Reed College in Portland for a couple of years, and then having decided upon architecture as a career transferred down to Eugene where he graduated from the University of Oregon. He had just worked one year as a draftsman when he went into active duty with the Army, but in an unusual outfit, the 4th Engineers, Special Brigade, where his top job was that of "Skipper" aboard a "crash boat". He saw service in New Guinea, Japan and the Philippines. His architectural career was interrupted again for Korea, where he spent 18 months as an officer with the HQ Company/434th Construction Battalion. He was discharged in 1952 with the rank of Captain.

When he got back on the architectural track, Neil worked in the office of Hollis Johnston, Architect, before opening his own private practice some 17 years ago. As a member of the Portland Chapter/AIA, he has served on the Board of Directors, as Treasurer and as the "Veep" before assuming the "top job" this year. He was a member of the Oregon State Board of Architect Examiners from 1963-'68 and the NCARB National Commitee on Examinations 1966-'68 and 1972 . . . His membership in Community Service groups includes the Board of Governors of the City Club of Portland, Director of the Portland Beautification Association, Board Member of the Parry Center for Children and in 1972, First Vice President of the Reed College Alumni Association.

Neil has traveled widely in Europe, and for fun enjoys a whole host of outdoor sports, swimming, jogging, mountain climbing, skiing, sailing and scuba diving. In setting goals for the Portland Chapter this year — he writes: "We seek to maintain and improve the Portland Chapter's efforts in serving the professional needs of its membership and the community at large through well organized and active committees; effective communications between all levels of the profession and the public and maximum involvement of the membership in Community Affairs." Right on, Mr. Farnham!

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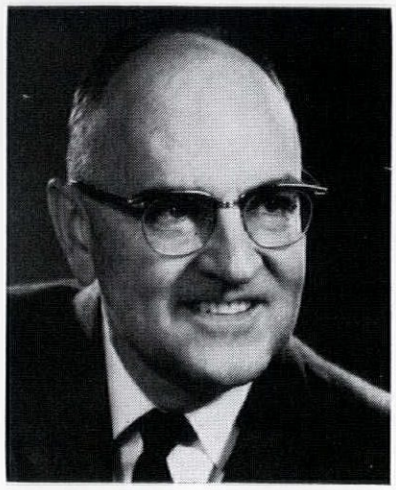

A. Z. Richards, Jr., President
Consulting Engineers Council
Salt Lake City, Utah

As A. Z. Richards steps into the leading role as "fearless leader" for the Utah Chapter/CEC, he carries on an honored family tradition. His father was the first Civil Engineer graduated from the University of Utah—that was 1905, and the elder Richards built many of the water systems in early Utah communities. Consequently Al came into the engineering profession very early watching his father at work.

"I decided," writes Al Richards, "very early in childhood that I wanted to follow in my father's steps. I was impressed that the engineer is the last line of responsibility. The research scientist could say it worked in the lab, but the engineer had to MAKE it work. He was the person responsible for the safety, welfare and well being . . . the last line of authority to the man in the street. The buck passes around, but it usually rests with the engineer."

Al and Verla Richards live in Salt Lake City and are parents of six children. CEC/Utah should feel very proud to have an engineer of Al's qualifications and background as President of the organization. He not only heads one of the oldest and most reputable civil engineering firms, but is an expert on the Great Salt Lake, a ham radio operator, an authority on minerals and a devoted family man.

Other officers elected to serve for the coming year are: Hoffman C. Hughes, President-Elect; John R. Call, Vice President; Rodney N. Preator, and H. Eugene Nielsen. Preator will be Secretary-Treasurer and Nielsen will be one-year national director. J. Howard VanBoerum, immediate past president, will remain on the Executive Committee for the coming year.

(A special word of thanks to Executive Director Carol Wagner for the above—and for the picture of the new CEC/Utah leader.)

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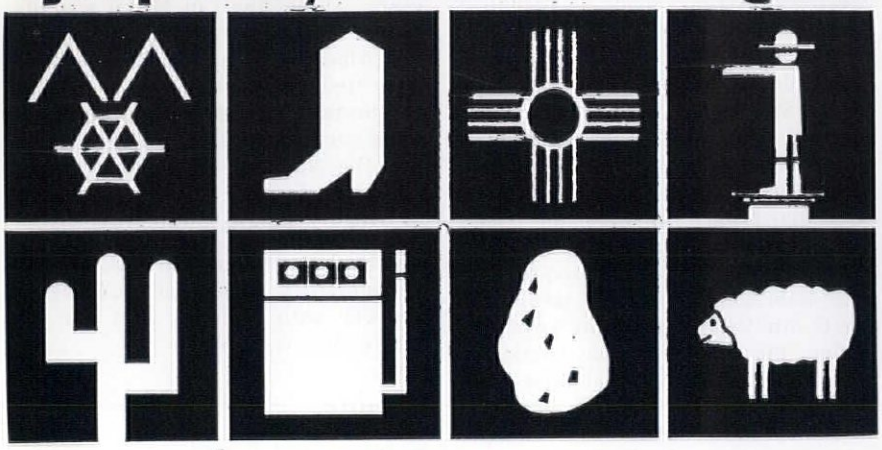

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Gabbard To Head ASPE

Thanks to Bill Sawyer, Executive Secretary, of the Arizona Society of Professional Engineers for the "good word" on their 1973-'74 officers. Frederick W. Gabbard, a market research engineer for the Arizona Public Service Company has been elected president of this organization representing more than 600 registered professional engineers in Arizona. He succeeds Gerald Sudbeck of the Sudbeck Engineering Company

Mr. Gabbard's team includes President Elect R. B. Williams of Yuma; Vice Presidents David Hall of Tucson, William Ordway of Tempe, Lamar Michaels, Tucson and Keith Hubbard of Phoenix. The newly elected Secretary-Treasurer is Phoenix engineer Lindel L. Barnes. The national Directors are immediate Past President Sudbeck of Scottsdale and Froilan H. Cotta of Tucson.

Gabbard is to the Arizona manner born, a Mechanical Engineering graduate of the University of Arizona and has had a wide range of engineering responsibilities with APS in the area of utility marketing. He and his wife Mary live in Tempe.

Winding Up FY 1972-'73

The Phoenix Chapter called it quits for the summer with the last CSI Meeting of the current series on 20 June at the Saddleback Inn. The principal speaker was William Haug, Attorney, who gave the members the low down on the recently enacted Lien Laws in Arizona. "Cactus Comments" (that's the newsletter printed on the eye-popping orange paper) took the occasion to pass around some kudos to those who have labored so faithfully in the vineyards . . . President Scott Campbell, for instance, who has served two terms in a row "more problems and work in 24 months than most CSI members volunteer for in a lifetime" sez CC. Also cited Maynard Blumer, FCSI, also a two-termer; Joe Diemer who arranged such fine programs during the year and Bob Tyler, Treasurer. CC said, "Each and every month, he did the bookkeeping, paid the bills and kept the Chapter well in the black. Bob will be spending the summer in Switzerland where he has a numbered bank account." Don't believe we've mentioned this before—but guess who turned in the Low Gross at the Arizona CSI Mixer. You better believe the perennial winner—our old friend and neighbor Ron Weller. The Old Red Head is alive and swingin' in Arizona.

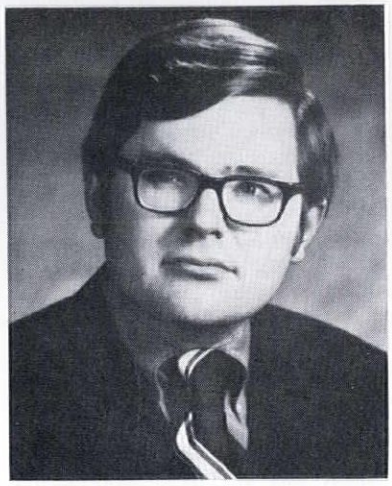
colorado

Weidmann Joins Stewart

Jim Stewart who heads the Fort Collins-based consulting engineering firm of James H. Stewart and Associates announces association with Victor H. Weidmann, principal of Weidmann Engineering, Lake County, Indiana. Moving to Fort Collins with Mr. Weidmann is Donald J. McClelland also from the Indiana operation. The Indiana office is the charge of Raymond Hewitson.

The Stewart organization began in 1957 with general practice of civil engineering and land surveying. Mr. Weidmann's firm placed a primary emphasis on municipal, sanitary and drainage works . . . so their capabilities will merge to supplement and expand the Stewart areas of competence.

Mr. Weidmann, professional engineer and land surveyor, is a graduate of Northeastern University, a Fellow in the American Society of Civil Engineers and a member of the national panel of the American Arbitration Association. He is a past president of the Consulting Engineers Council of Indiana—his new associate, James Stewart is the present "fearless leader" for CEC/Colorado.



ACG/C Selects New Director

Please meet John W. Martin who has been named Director of Labor Relations by the Associated General Contractors of Colorado/Building Chapter. In his position, Martin will provide a staff labor relations function in a degree which the Association has been unable to furnish in the past. This additional service reflects this organization's continuing effort to identify and evaluate member needs and respond affirmatively.

Mr. Martin is a graduate from the University of Denver's College of Law, a member of the Colorado Bar and was formerly with Johns-Manville Corporation. His AGC/C responsibilities will include: contract administration, contractural grievances, jurisdictional disputes, trust fund matters, economic survey date, liaison with other industry management groups and labor relations information.

John and his talented wife Marilyn (Master of Fine Arts in sculpture, University of Colorado) are the parents of two young daughters and live in suburban Lakewood.

Awards Time/CSI Denver

A goodly crowd of lovely ladies and handsome gentlemen gathered for libations, feasting, annual reports and general merriment at the Applewood Inn on June 13. With Prexy Jack Kruse presiding, annual reports were delivered, the head table was introduced and Past Presidents recog-

nized. Awards were presented to Bob Johnson for the newsletter Scope, to Del Raetz for his work on membership and to Pete Mirabella for all important arrangements "behind the scene". Tony Murray and Dick Lehman were recognized for their fine programming throughout the year.

President (incoming) Bob Johnson then took over to present outgoing Jack Kruse an Award of Appreciation. Bob introduced his new officers including new Scope editor Roger Sparks, and then turned things over to Hazel Parker and the Metropolitan Denver Chapter of Women in Construction for the fun part of the program. Joanne Ball in the role of Commentator described the fashionable garb being modeled by her colleagues. And it was a fashion show with a difference—the gals were wearing simulated construction products—and you can't imagine how glamorous CSI Secretary Roberta Leeper looked as a Trus Joist I Beam. It was all lots of laughs, and the whole affair should be termed a great success!

And speaking of CSI/Denver, some of the 1973-'74 Committee Chairmen have been appointed. Frank Shutts is Chairman of the Education Committee; Jim Plotzke for Membership; Roger Sparks, Communications; Arrangements Committee is chaired by Pete Mirabella and Jack Dysart heads the Technical Committee.

Pikes Peak Names Chairmen

That "Sweetheart of CSI"—Intrepid Leader of the Pikes Peak Chapter/CSI (that's Atha Lavalett) is "putting it all together" for the coming year. New Chairmen include Gordon Rothoff for Membership; Clint Keller, Meeting Arrangements; Technical Committee, Ray Bertholf; Bill Bottini, Special Committee on Fees and Permits; John Sawyer, By Laws and Terry Strong for Awards and Nominating. Atha also hopes to have a SubChairman as well as Chairman for each Committee who can step into the breach in case the Head Honcho comes down with cholera (no other disease need apply) and further this SubChairman could take over the Committee the following year providing the Chapter with continuity and experience. A great idea—and we wish them all kinds of luck. CSI like all organizations finds success when strong and able Committees are at work.

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Awards and Scholarships

JPB reports the following awards and scholarships presented to students at the Montana State University School of Architecture. Awards were made at the Banquet held at the Annual Joint Meeting of the Montana and Student Chapters held this year at "Big Sky". The Big Winners were: Mark Gelernter of Great Falls received the Robert Rea Esgar Memorial Scholarship ($200) and Florian Walicki, Hampstead, New York the $400 Montana Chapter/AIA Scholarship. Florian received an additional $300 and Dave Lintz of Deer Lodge $300 from the Montana Contractors Association. The Lovell Clay Products Scholarships ($220) were awarded Glen Fries of Lewistown and Randall Mudge of Concord, New Hampshire. The Helena Society of Architects $225 Award was given to Harry Hummel of Maple Shade, New York. This year's Alpha Rho Chi Medal was presented to Lamont E. Miller, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada and the coveted AIA Medal went to Larry J. Raffety of Bozeman. Darrell Swanson of Great Falls received the AIA Merit Award and the National AIA Henry Adams Fund Scholarship ($250) was awarded to Gregory Clouse, Sweetgrass.

We send along our heartiest congrats to Montana's young and budding architects with all the best for the future. May it be rosy!

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Simpson/First Report

We are happy to welcome aboard Robert B. Simpson of Reno . . AIA architect with the firm of Simpson and Richie and our new "Man in Northern Nevada". He has just sent us his first communique of "wha' hoppen" and it's a dandy. Writes Robert:

The Northern Nevada Architects are doing something with their community spirit. At the June meeting of the Northern Nevada Chapter of the A.I.A. the architects presented preliminary plans for a new city park for Reno. Present for the presentation was one member of the Reno Parks and Recreation Commission and the Director of that agency. In an unprecedented spirit of cooperation and community outreach the Reno area architects have combined talents and office time with the area Landscape Architects to design and produce working drawings for a new riverside park which the City of Reno

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The park is to be located on a small, triangular shaped site adjacent to the Truckee River which has been the subject of considerable public controversy over the past several months. The City's acquisition of the property and subsequent announcement of plans to convert it to a park provided a unique opportunity for the professional designers to do something dramatically constructive for the community. The plan presented by Chuck Saladino, a Reno Landscape Architect, was the result of considerable joint activity between the design professionals.

The plan features a water display intended to complement the nearby river—now obscured from the view of the casual passer-by. The design calls for bermed turf areas which will provide soft inclined surfaces for visitors to lie on with an unobstructed view of the river. It also provides raised planters for the local garden clubs to display their talents and considerable seating surface for the comfort of visitors.

The enthusiasm generated by the project has prompted the architects and landscape architects to volunteer to prepare materials for public presentation and assistance in procuring private donations to construct the park.

At the same A.I.A. Chapter meeting was a delegation of members from the Las Vegas Chapter. Jim Prescott, National A.I.A. Director of Governmental Affairs, presented the evening program. He collected a sampling of issues from the members present by way of lists in response to the question "What do you think the A.I.A. should be doing for you?" Jim then challenged the two Nevada Chapters to begin taking steps to accomplish most of the items on a state level.

The following morning delegates from both Nevada A.I.A. chapters met at the new El Dorado Hotel to revitalize the Nevada State Association of Architects. The group identified organizational and program weaknesses. In a spirit of reestablished rapport between the two chapters the Association delegates chartered a new course of action and organized themselves to implement a program designed to achieve greater public awareness of the Architect's social role, cooperation with the other building industry members, and better regulatory bills to be presented to the next session of the Nevada Legislature. Thanks to the inspired leadership of Bob Fielden, incoming Western Mountain Region chief, Arturo Cambeiro, Nevada Association Chairman, and the many local chapter officers the architects of Nevada have a busy year ahead of them.

Thank you for the fine report, Mr. Simpson and a hearty — Right On, Nevada!

new mexico

Old Timers Honored

Over 250 members of Carpenters' Local Number 1319 headquartered in Albuquerque were honored in special ceremonies at the Hilton Inn on June 23rd. All of these men have belonged to the International Brotherhood of Carpenters for a quarter of a century or more, and received special pins at the luncheon presentation. Of special mention are the five Local No. 1319 members who have been around for plus 50 years . . Oscar Moehle, Albuquerque, heads the list with 67 years; Theo Frankenfeld, 60 years; W. E. Hubert and H. B. Severns, all of Albuquerque 54 years and G. H. Simmons of San Antonio, Texas, 57 years.

Featured speaker for the occasions was Ben Collins, Regional representative of the International Brotherhood from El Paso, Texas.

Presenting The Winners

The Big June One Open Golf Tournament at Paradise Hills Country Club is now history. The 1973 Festival of Drives and Divots was sponsored by ASHRAE—CSI—AIA and the Super-Stars of the Day were Frank Bridgers with a low gross of 76—Jack Sample with a low net of 70. The guests who headed the winner's column were Larry Green with a 75 for a low gross and Don Mitchell with a low net of 72. George Leavitt came closest to the hole 27'10" and the winner for sartorial splendor was Dave McCoy.

This is an Annual Affair much enjoyed by the construction community in the City of the Dons.

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Northwest Regional/1974

You have got to hand it to those enterprising AIA fellers up in Portland. With the 1973 Regional in Victoria, B.C. still to come, the Portlandites are already planning the 1974

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gathering of the clans. The Regional Committee is headed by Pat Loukes, AIA, and according to Jody Proppe's "Architects and Architecture" they've been at work for some time formulating their plans. The committee members include Robert Wilmsen (our "man in Portland") and Roger Schultz on the Steering Committee; Edgar Waehrer and Moulton Andrus, Program; Peck Coleman, registration and housing; Curtis Finch, host events; Dick Norman, public relations and publicity; Bob Bailey, graphics; Bob Koch, Producers' Council/rap sessions; Marilyn Gunsul, Women's activities; Al Edelman, students and exhibits; Albert Biggerstaff, transportation. The Regional Executive Board has requested that the conference be held in the city and about the city. And with all the talent represented on that committee—1974 should be a WOWSER!

Awards in Eugene

Paul Edlund who keeps us "au courant" with the happenings in Eugene writes that the Williamette Valley Chapter/CSI held their Annual Meeting in late June with all the appropriate items on the agenda. The new officers were installed (For full details on President Smith and Company see July's "Take Me To Your Leader".) and Awards were presented. Jim Bernhard of Wilmsen, Endicott, Greene and Bernhard was honored for Professional Excellence in Specification Writing, and retiring Chapter President John Brockett of the firm of Lutes and Amundson was cited for developing and using a drawing reference sytem based upon the 16 Division CSI Format. To both these worthy fellows—our most sincere Congratulations!

utah

Joint Seminar Held

The Utah Chapter of the American Institute of Architects and the American Wood Council co-sponsored a seminar for professionals involved in the building industry which examined New Approaches to Residential Development. The seminar addressed itself to the dissatisfaction with conventional subdivisions which make inefficient use of land and to the interest by professionals in new approaches to the basic problem of efficient land use and home planning.

Held Tuesday, June 26, 3 to 6 p.m. at the Tri-Arc Travelodge, the seminar featured wide ranging discussions of concepts and trends in planning, the process which creates a development, the anatomy of a land plan, and the housing designs themselves which are the most visible result of the entire effort. New towns, planned unit developments, clusters, condominiums, quadraplexes and high density zoning were among the specific housing approaches probed.

The discussion leader was John M. King, Land Planning and Housing Consultant of Washington, D.C. Mr. King is a former city planner and planning commission member, and formerly director of the national Association of Home Builders Environmental Design Institute. Later he was a research director of the NAHB Research Foundation. A visiting lecturer at the University of California at Los Angeles, Mr. King was recently appointed by the National Committee for the International Council for Building Research Studies and Documentation. Mr. King writes "The Housing Scene" column for the Washington Post and is currently Vice President/Principal of Tricore Corporation of Columbia, Maryland, builders and land developers.

An important moment at the gala Installation Banquet for the Consulting Engineers Council/Utah. A. Z. Richards (right) newly-elected "fearless leader" presents the Past President's Plaque (complete with gavel) to J. Howard VanBoerum.

washington

Two Seattle Projects Cited

Two projects in Washington received honors in the Biennial Award Competition of the American Public Power Association co-sponsored by the American Institute of Architects, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Society of Landscape Architects and the American Institute of Planners.

Receiving an Award of Merit was the Delridge Receiving Substation—Architect: G. R. Bishop of Seattle City Light; Landscape Architect: Richard Carothers Associates of Seattle and Engineers G. W. Bishop, A. L. Talbott, C. Paul Groner all of Seattle City Light. Said the Jury: "The substation enclosure gives protection without really hiding too much of the handsome, well organized electrical apparatus."

An Honorable Mention Award was made to the Massachusetts Receiving Substation of Seattle City Light with G. R. Bishop again architect and structural engineer and with A. L. Talbott and T. R. Miller as the other engineers on the project. The Landscape Architect was Glen Hunt of Glen Hunt and Associates, Seattle.

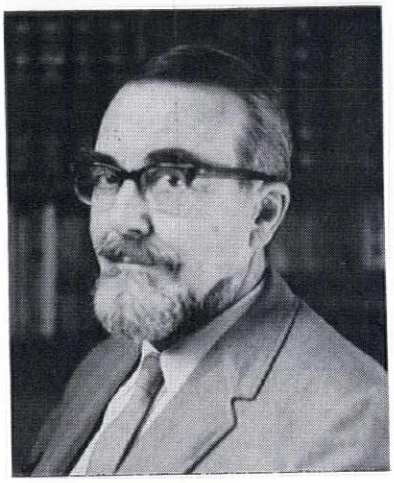
wyoming

AIA Cowboys Ride Again!

The genial Architect's Gang up in Sagebrush country is riding into Saratoga come late August. The Big Roundup is scheduled for August 24-25 at the Saratoga Inn and judging from past performances, it should be a dandy. The tentative schedule for the 1973 rodeo brings everybody in on Friday (24) for a hand-shaking good time at the Cocktail Party. Saturday morning, the Chapter Business meeting gets underway at 9:00. After three hours of "minding the store", the group adjourns for Chow and Fun in the Afternoon. Facilities at the Saratoga Inn are great for both these events and there will be a Golf Tournament, Swimming, Tennis or Fishing all up for grabs. It all comes to a "grand and glorious" with a Cocktail gathering and Banquet on Saturday evening. It's good to hear them spurs a-jinglin' up Wyoming way!

In Review..

This past March, we presented an article written by Anthony Antoniades, AIA/Assoc. AIP, Lecturer at the University of New Mexico titled "Getting Back To the Roots . . . Or How To Get Rid of the Plague". In a sense, we were re-opening the discussion "The Education of the Architect" treated by the 1972 WMR Convention in Albuquerque. We requested comments from the members of the brilliant and knowledgeable panelists who appeared at this meeting, and to date we have received two "reviews" from this group.



Buford L. Pickens, FAIA
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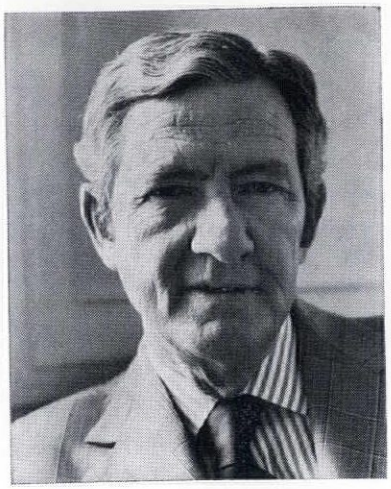
Although I can easily agree with many of Mr. Antoniades' insights and his analysis of how we got so far "up the blind alley," I seriously question his self-consciously isolated effectiveness. Obviously, he has never attended an old-time revival meeting which resembles our contemporary conferences on architectural education. If he had, he would realize how perfectly he plays the role of a bible (bibliography)-thumping, itinerant evangelist, less concerned with improving the general morality than with the intoxicating effects of his own vocal cords.

Commenting on Mr. Antoniades' article is like trying to drink from a waterfall: you know that the stuff is sparkling-pure, but the flow keeps knocking the cylix out of your hand. It almost seems that Mr. Antoniades would rather give you a bath (or a baptism), than quench your thirst for useful knowledge that might induce a spirit of cooperative action. In a word, why has he been unwilling to integrate his excellent bit to the much larger frame of reference, i.e., the decadence and dilution of architecture, delineated at Albuquerque last October? He seems to ignore everything at the conference but the title!

If an American architect went to Greece and felt he could make a constructive contribution to the direction of Grecian architecture and education, he would be foolish, indeed, if he presumed to have all the answers. To be effective he might explore how to plug in his ideas with others currently seeking the same goal.

At this stage of reawakening architecture to its continuing role for the future, we could use more dialogue and less monologue. The burden is on Mr. Antoniades to participate, i.e., plug in rather than pontificate. As a student of history he should be aware that we reached our present dilemma by following, uncritically, a platoon of Pied Pipers each playing his own brilliant bibliographical flute. To escape from this apparent blind alley we need some *collaborative formulation* of the problems which might lead to solutions, not hallelujahs!



Daniel Boone, FAIA
Past President of the National
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After a careful study of the Antoniades article, I find that he is pretty well working my side of the street. For this reason I have not been able to come up with any response that would be of interest to your readers. About all I can do is agree with him.

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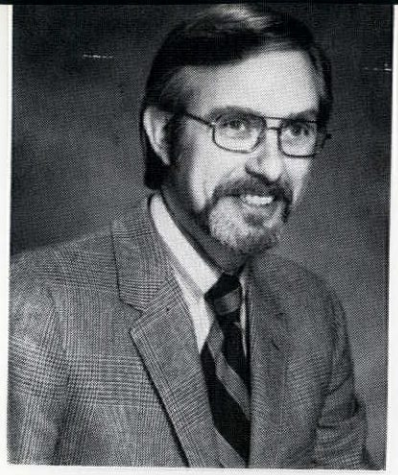


Fred L. Creager, AIA/CSI

It is a pleasure to roll out the red plush for Fred Creager of Spokane. His "life and times" includes a fearsome listing of "fearless leader" jobs from President of the Spokane Chapter/AIA; President of ditto Chapter/CSI; the Lutheran Council of Greater Spokane to his present job which is Secretary-Treasurer of the Washington State Council of Architects, AIA. Mixed in with all this are things like Chairman of the Institute Awards Committee/CSI; General Chairman of the AIA Northwest Regional Conference in 1967 and all kinda good stuff like that.

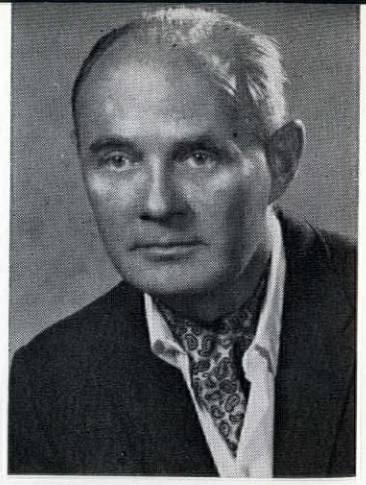
Fred is a graduate of the University of Illinois, registered to practice in Washington, Idaho and Iowa and is a Captain in the United States Air Force Reserve. He is a principal in the architectural firm of Brooks, Hensley, Creager, an association of more than a decade.

So much for the facts . . . he also writes "With son, Doric, we celebrated our grandson's first birthday this summer. Our younger son, Kurt, is presently studying planning at Eastern Washington State College. Ev (my bride) is a graduate of Millikin University with a degree in Music Education. She taught for a few years, now works part-time as Executive Secretary for the Spokane Chapter/AIA. We worked together as co-chairmen of the Northwest Region Conference hosted by Spokane in October 1967.

More seriously, Fred recounts a memorable moment at the Grand National when Arch Rogers, AIA First V. P. spoke in regard to the profession and the architect's role in society. "From which", comments Mr. C., "I extracted this quotable quote . . . 'If one wishes to see his dreams become a reality, he must become political . . .' Welcome Aboard, Fred Creager, it's great to have you with us!

John W. McHugh, AIA

This is but a mere formality. Although "Himself" has not been officially listed on our Masthead, he has been included in "the family" almost since we began the whole cotton pickin' thing. He made his debut in November, 1966 when he got Symposia Saluted for his great job as Co-Chairman of the Western Mountain Regional Conference in Santa Fe, and his beguiling prose and delightful sketches have been delighting our readers ever since. No matter whether John takes us "Walking Through Connemora", reporting a meeting of the WCARB or a national AIA Convention—it is a happy experience.



Born in Ohio, John is a graduate of Notre Dame with post-grad work all over the map including he says, "A playboy summer at the American Academy at Fontainebleau (won first prize in architecture and was kissed on both cheeks by President Auriol!)" He maintains all this schooling did little good "but it did keep me off the streets".

John has lived in Santa Fe since 1946 enlivening the local scene considerably . . . on St. Patrick's Day you will find him wearing a bright green silk "topper" . . . and a jaunty picture he makes, too. He has in these years acquired a charming wife, of the British persuasion, Gillian by name, two children, Patricia and Colin, several full sketch books and assorted pets, house and chattels. A principal in the firm of McHugh, Kidder, Burran, Wright, he has served many organizations as "fearless leader" including the Santa Fe Chapter/AIA, the New Mexico Arts Commission, the WCARB and the Mountain States Arts and Humanities Commission. But, best of all, he is just "Himself" which is very fine indeed!

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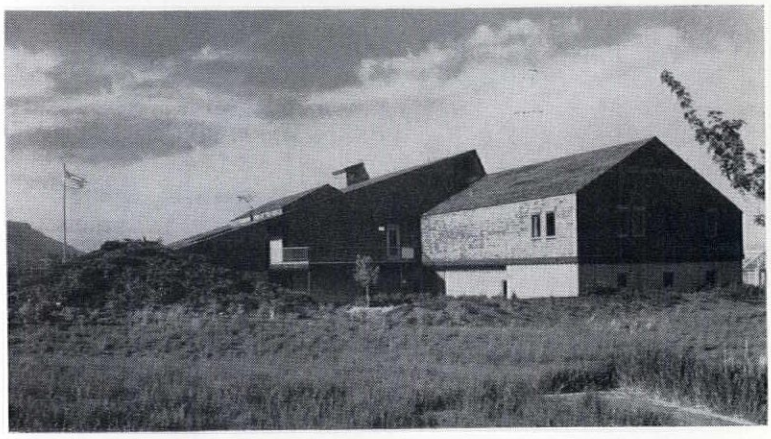
Oregon Architect Honored

Among those present at the Chicago Museum of Science and Industry on September 20 will be A. P. DiBenedetto, AIA, who is the current President of the Oregon Council of Architects. He is being honored at a banquet given by "Industrial Research", a magazine for the research industry for his design of the U.S. Forest Service Range and Wildlife Habitat Laboratory in La Grande, Oregon. Mr. DiBenedetto has been the Regional Architect for the Pacific Northwest Forest and Range Experiment Station since 1961.

The honorable mention citation for architectural design came through a Industrial Research competition—two other facilities were honored. "Lab of the Year Award" went to the Squibb Institute for Medical Research in Princeton, New Jersey. The second honorable mention was given Mead Johnson Park of Mead Johnson and Company in Mount Vernon, Indiana. The Forest Service Range and Wildlife Habitat Laboratory is located on the campus of Eastern Oregon College.

The two-story structure is designed to blend harmoniously with its surroundings, and to reflect the form of the eastern Oregon mountains. Rustic, weathered wood is the basic construction material. Landscaped berms around the laboratory help divert water runoff in spring.

The laboratory provides research facilities for study of the ecology and management of forest and range lands for livestock and wildlife in eastern Oregon and Washington. Entomologists from the Forest Service laboratory in Corvallis are currently using the laboratory as temporary headquarters while working on studies of the Douglas-fir tussock moth outbreak in northeastern Oregon and Washington.



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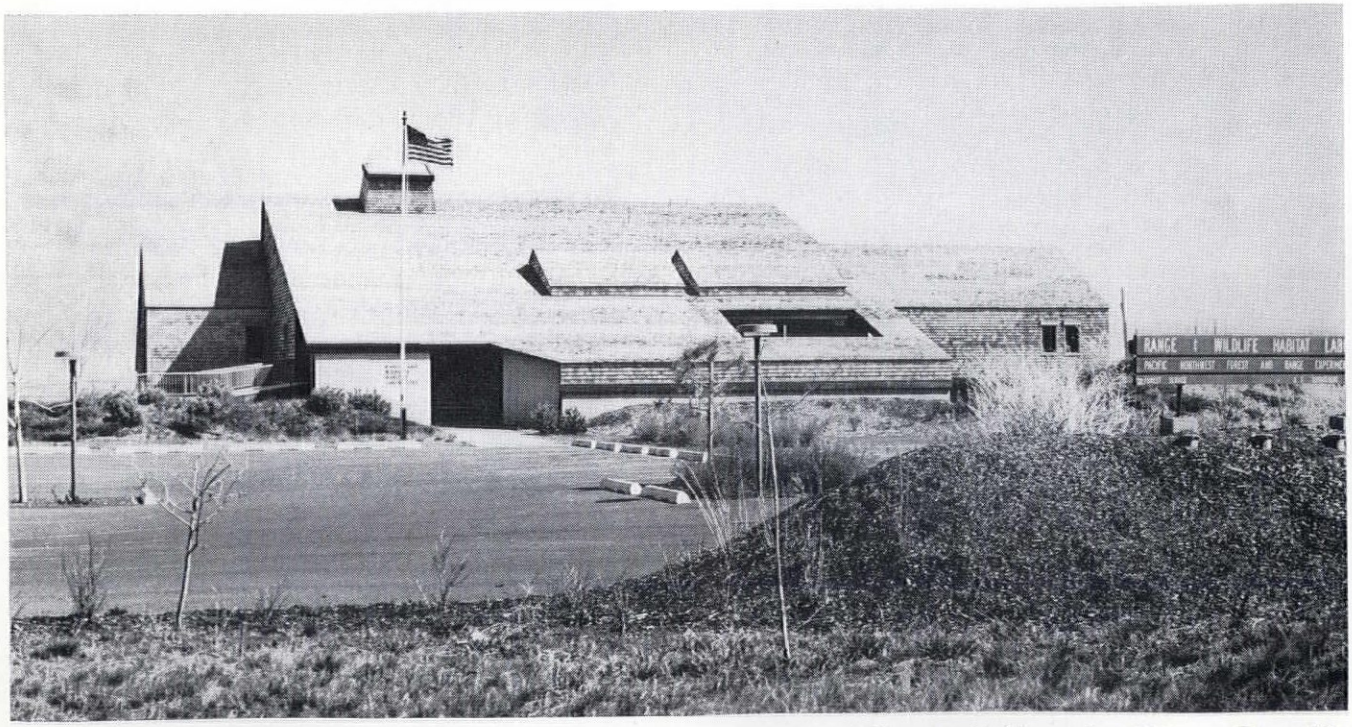

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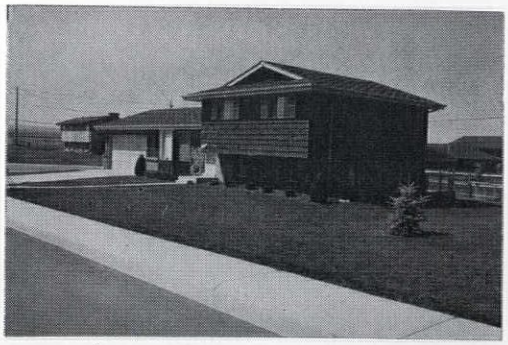

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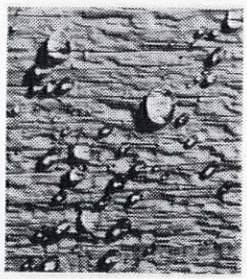

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Charlie Sewell will be Chairman for the CSI Region 10 Conference to be held in March, 1974 in beautiful sunny Tucson town. We're looking forward to this one!

Whoops! In last month's Salute we made Tom Keeton, the Southwestern Regional Director instead of Section Director. Sorry about that, Tom!

A short course in Reinforced Masonry Construction with emphasis on Earthquake resistance is scheduled for October 18-19 at Montana State U. in Bozeman—a joint effort of the School of Architecture and the Department of Civil Engineering.

Barbara Light who for seven years has served the Central Colorado Chapter and the Colorado Society/AIA as Executive Secretary has resigned. Barb's future plans are uncertain, but we wish her well wherever she may go!

Introducing Miss Elizabeth Ann Wilkin —all 6 pounds, 13 ounces of her. Debut on 10 July at Wright-Patterson Air Force Medical Center. Lots of folks in the construction community remember Mama, (nee Fran Trunk) and Papa (Lt. Dan). Pleased to report Betsey, Fran and Big Daddy doing well!

Ever heard of the WEGROUP/Architects and Planners? Of course you have—it used to was Wilmsen/Endicott/Greene/ Bernhard of Portland and Eugene. A rose by any other name!

Donald Brauer, President of Brauer and Associates, Inc. of Minnesota and Colorado, is now a Fellow in the American Society of Civil Engineers, a significant professional achievement.

The new world headquarters for Johns-Manville to be built at the Ken Caryl Ranch, Colorado will be designed by TAC . . . the firm selected through an architectural competition. At the CAC/AIA meeting in May, John Rogers spoke on the role of the professional advisors for the competition.

The American Institute of Architects will sponsor a seminar for architects in industry at the new AIA HQ in Washington, D.C. on October 1-3.

More to come on this item . . . but Keith Richardson has been elected new president of the Salt Lake City Chapter/CSI. Frank Anderson is First V.P.; Donald Ellis is Second V.P.; Gerald Young is Secretary-Treasurer and the new Board Member is Gordon Niederhauser.

The Colorado Contractors Association (AGC) sponsored a luncheon on June 28th with speaker R. Jackson Stoddard discussing Land Use and Environmental Legislation. Mr. Stoddard, a Los Angeles contractor, is a member of the National AGC Environmental committee and an expert on land use laws and environmental controls.

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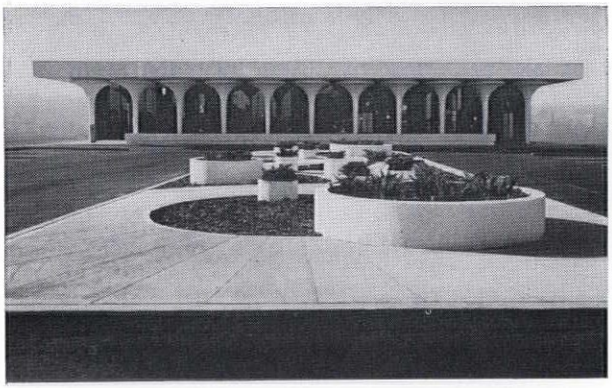

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The Association of Engineering Geologists will talk about "Geology-Seismicity-Environmental Impact" at their 16th Annual slated for October 21-26 at the Sheraton Universal Hotel in North Hollywood, California.

There was no July meeting for the Albuquerque Chapter/CSI but the troops will all get together on August 7 for an interesting program on the Cumbres and Toltec Railroad.

Moving Up! Yes, the Colorado Masonry Institute needs more elbow room and is now located in Suite 304 in the same building at 3003 East Third Avenue in Denver. CMI continues to grow and flourish!

The Rio Rico Inn in Nogales, Arizona has been selected as the site for the Arizona AIA Fall Professional Conference. The dates for this important meeting: September 7-9.

Coming up! Fall Meeting for Colorado's Club 20. This special is slated for September 15-16 in Lake City.

On Friday, June 22 members of the Pikes Peak Chapter/CSI paid tribute to Past President Dorothy Albers. Members were encouraged to bring their associates by marriage or otherwise.

Warren Hampton, Fifth Year Senior at Montana State University, will take over as Editor of the Montana State Student Chapter Newsletter.

Denver's Producers' Council held their June 27 Business meeting at the Manor House at Johns-Manville, Ken Caryl Ranch. All appropriate business came before the house including new officers . . . more anon.

Richard Weingardt, Consulting Structural Engineers are now located at A370, Prudential Plaza in Denver.

The Colorado Mason Contractors Association will hold their Summer Seminar at the Stanley Hotel in Estes Park. The dates - August 10-12. CMCA expects the biggest turn-out ever.

about the cover

We have chosen this August to retire to the cool, green shade of the Colorado aspens as photographed by talented Barbara Nielsen of Denver and environs. This is Barbara's second Symposia cover this year (see January)—both exemplifying her considerable abilities for use of the camera's eye with an artist's "savoir faire". She is, of course, wife of Oluf Nielsen, Architect—mother of five Nielsens—and a graduate in Architectural Engineering from the University of Colorado. No bigger than a minute herself, she has a wide range of artistic abilities which have served to add distinction and charm to many a Nielsen project—and you might say that Oley has set the style for "dining out in Denver" with his designs for the "Jefferson 440", "The Sawmill", "Charlie O's" etc. etc. We are always extremely proud to have an original "Nielsen" on our cover.

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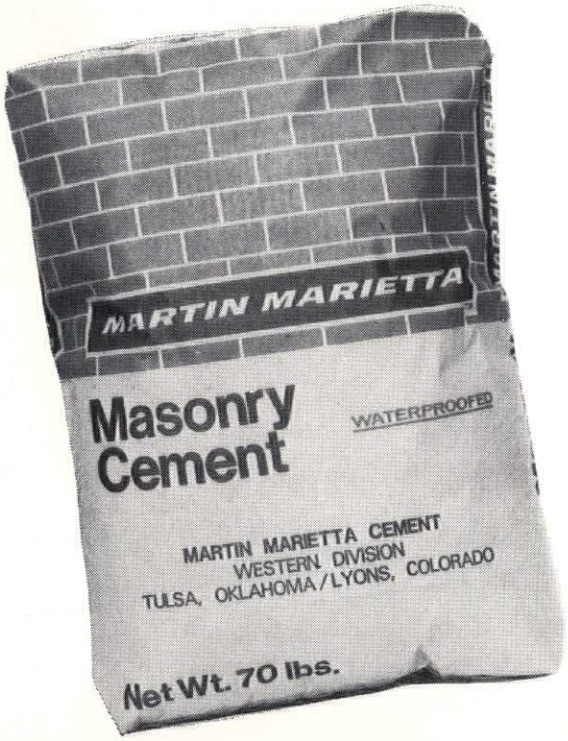

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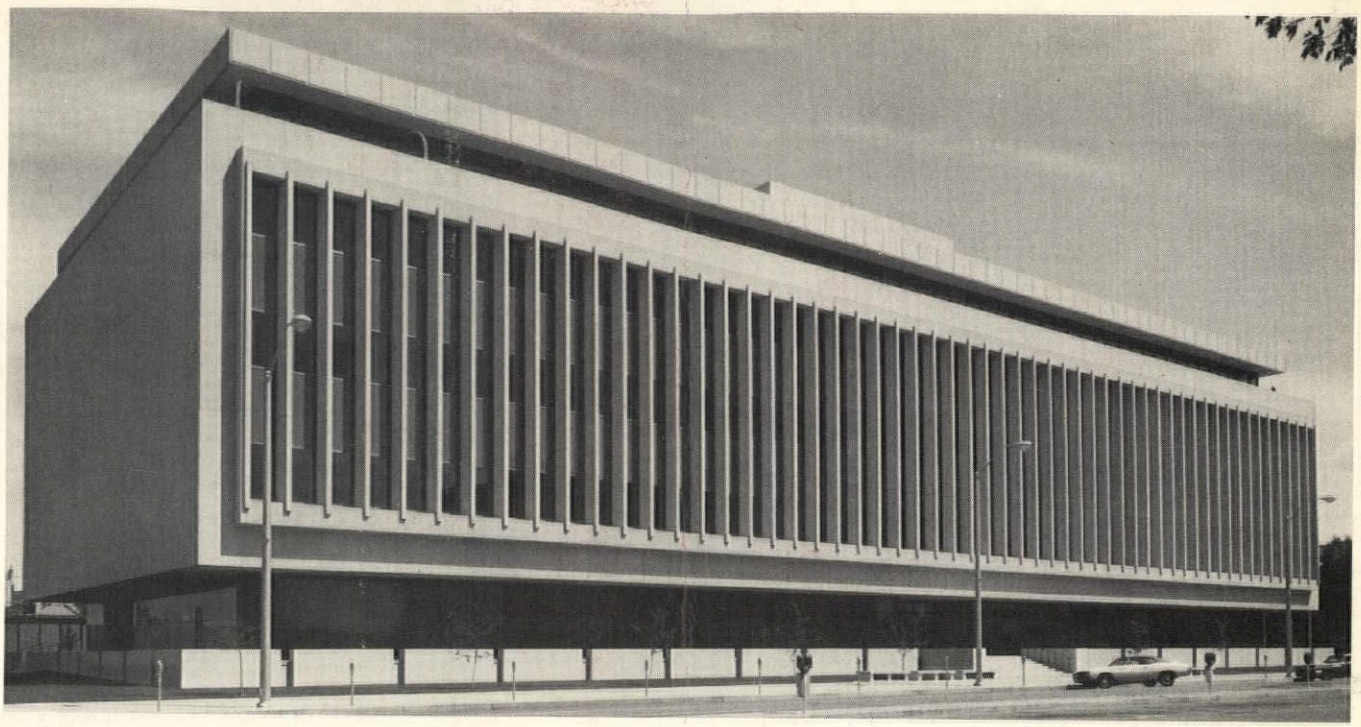

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